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TO: Director, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) REC-67
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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 RACIAL MATTER - KLAN
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In Cleveland airtel to Bureau, dated 11/30/65, as captioned above, it was pointed out that a reporter for the "Cleveland Press," a daily afternoon newspaper published at Cleveland, Ohio, had joined the Klan to gather material for an expose type story on the local Cleveland Klan.

On 1/25/66, [redacted] of the Cleveland PD, Special Investigations Unit, advised that the "Cleveland Press" reporter that had infiltrated the KKK in Cleveland had advised him that since he had received his robe at the Klan meeting on 1/23/66, he felt his goal to infiltrate the Klan had been achieved and that he and his paper were now ready to go ahead with plans to publish the story. In accordance with previous arrangements, the reporter planned to review that afternoon his proposed expose with [redacted] to obtain any suggestions or observations [redacted] may wish to make. Such a review also had in mind protection of any sources which [redacted] may wish to conceal. From a preliminary perusal, according to [redacted] the forthcoming article planned to name the officers of Klavern No. 6, which was the unit infiltrated by the reporter.

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As the Bureau is aware, Kuyahoga County Klavern No. 6 elected officers on 1/23/66 and of the top four officers, two are current racial sources of the Cleveland Office, namely,

[redacted] In a previous discussion with [redacted] he indicated that the appearance of his name in any newspaper article would not disturb him whereas [redacted] indicated that any such publicity would be highly undesirable as far as he was concerned both from a business standpoint and from a personal standpoint. Without specifically identifying any particular individual as a source, it was subtly suggested to [redacted] during the course of his review of the forthcoming article that the name of [redacted] appear at [redacted]. Subsequently, [redacted] advised that this change had been made in the forthcoming article.

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[redacted] also advised that at one point in the forthcoming article events occurring at a recent Klan meeting are related. Included is a statement attributed to [redacted] that he had been interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and Atlanta Office in view of the forthcoming publicity. Copies of the articles ~~are~~ subsequently being furnished to the Bureau.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60)P

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KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

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ReATAirtel to Bureau 1-13-66 with LHM
 captioned "National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan,
 Inc., Barnesville, Ga., and Proposed Activity on
 Night of January 15, 1966."

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original
 and 7 copies of a LHM setting forth information
 concerning proposed cross burnings at Griffin,
 Georgia, on night of 1-29-66.

[redacted] (Prob) who is maintaining
 close contact with [redacted] concerning
 proposed cross burnings in Griffin, Ga., on night of
 1-29-66. [redacted] will go to Klavern on night of
 1-29-66 and if it becomes evident crosses will be
 burned, [redacted] will become violently ill and have to
 be left behind at [redacted] residence.

LEO BLACKWELL, Chief of Police, Griffin,
 Ga., advised he will arrange with trusted officers at
 the Griffin PD to arrest Klansmen [redacted] when they set fire
 to a cross in front of his residence.

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DWAYNE GILBERT, Sheriff, Spalding County, will be advised of the proposed cross burnings on either 1-28-66 or 1-29-66. [redacted] Ga. Bureau of Investigation, will be advised of proposed cross burnings on 1-28-66. Delay in advising above officers is being made to afford additional protection for informant.

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Possibility exists cross burnings may be delayed inasmuch as [redacted] is to be subpoenaed this week to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and this may result in [redacted] postponing these cross burnings.

The Bureau will be promptly advised if there is any change in proposed cross burnings.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1966

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
INC., PROPOSED CROSS BURNINGS ON NIGHT
OF JANUARY 29, 1966, AT GRIFFIN, GEORGIA

On January 16, 1966, [redacted] advised five members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., met at the Klavern building, Route 1, Barnesville, Georgia, on the night of January 15, 1966, and all five members were dressed in black.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted] Griffin, Georgia, arrived at the Klavern building with three men. These men were not dressed in black. The eight men waited for [redacted] of Propane Gas Company, Milner, Georgia, to arrive with crosses and gasoline but [redacted] failed to come to the Klavern. MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

This group had planned to burn three crosses in Griffin, Georgia, on the night of January 15, 1966, but it was decided that the cross burnings should be delayed for two weeks. The group agreed to meet again at 8 p.m., on January 29, 1966.

[redacted] made a statement that one of the crosses would have to be burned in front of the home of Leo Blackwell, Chief of Police, Griffin, Georgia. Cheif Blackwell has testified before the House Committee on Un-American Activities hearings.

The purpose of the cross burnings was to obtain publicity. [redacted] stated that they would have to be careful and not be caught as something big was planned after the cross burnings. [redacted] advised a truck with a tire off would be parked at his truck stop and the driver would furnish an alibi for the group, claiming they were all at the truck stop.

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National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan,
Inc., Proposed Cross Burnings on Night
of January 29, 1966, at Griffin, Georgia

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted]
from Athens, Georgia, were present and planned to participate in the cross burnings. [redacted] were acquitted for the murder of Lemuel A. Penn. [redacted] was armed with a Springfield 30.06 military rifle. [redacted] [redacted] were armed with 12 gauge double-barrel sawed-off shotguns. All of the men appeared to be armed with side arms.

On January 24, 1966, [redacted] advised three Klansmen from the Barnesville, Georgia, Klavern of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., had gone to Griffin on January 23, 1966, and had contacted [redacted]. [redacted] advised he had been unable to learn the location of Chief Blackwell's home but would determine this before Saturday, January 29, 1966. These men decided that a cross should not be burned in front of Griffin City Hall as the Griffin Police Department changes shifts at 11 p.m. They felt there was too much chance of being caught if they burned a cross in front of City Hall. [redacted] advised he would recontact [redacted] before January 29, 1966, in order that this group could make further plans for the cross burnings. Knowles again stated that a cross had to be burned in front of Chief Blackwell's home.

On January 18 and January 25, 1966, Leo Blackwell, Chief of Police, Griffin, Georgia, Police Department, was advised of the plans of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., to burn crosses in Griffin and of their plan to burn one of these crosses in front of Chief Blackwell's home.

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Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1966

Title	National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., Proposed Cross Burnings on Night of January 29, 1966, at Griffin, Georgia
Character	Racial Matters - Klan
Reference	Letterhead memorandum of Special Agent [redacted] dated January 26, 1966, at Atlanta, Georgia.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-2934)

**NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN
 RACIAL MATTERS**

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On 1/25/66, [redacted] was contacted and advised that serious organizational difficulties are currently being experienced by the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA, Inc.) in Mississippi. He stated that a number of units have turned in their charters, and entire provinces have declined to contribute further money to the state office of the UKA, Inc. as long as [redacted]

Source stated that currently [redacted] Klansman from Tupelo, Mississippi, and [redacted] Mississippi, and he understands others, have been in contact with JAMES VENABLE, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Atlanta, Georgia, and are actively recruiting members for VENABLE's organization in Mississippi. Informant has also stated that a [redacted] subject from Meridian, Mississippi, is reportedly engaged in recruiting

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activities for the National Knights. [redacted] reliable source has advised that [redacted] Province Titan [redacted] at Meridian, Mississippi, and [redacted] [redacted] are working toward securing members for VENABLE's outfit.

[redacted] states that [redacted] has lied to officers, Titans and Kleagles, about financial matters and refuses to furnish them with financial data, which appears to be a major cause of the impending breakup in the UKA, Inc. organization. Source stated that it appears that [redacted] or will be the [redacted] of a new organizational structure. This structure will consist of a board of directors, or similar type group, which will include representatives, probably Titans and Kleagles, from all provinces and this body will establish policy and endeavor to pick up the units of the UKA, Inc. which have ceased to be active, pay dues, or have actually turned in or torn [redacted] charters. [redacted] advised if this is carried out it is [redacted] that [redacted] may be offered a place on this board of [redacted]. He stated it was contemplated that an accountant would be hired to handle financial affairs for the Klan. Source advised that in the event this reorganization is successful, property somewhere near the center of the state will be acquired for regular gatherings of officers and open meetings will be held and a constructive program put into effect. Source advised that it is the desire of a number of the Titans and Kleagles that something constructive be striven for and it is not felt that the current organization has anything to offer of a positive nature. Source advised that it is the belief of a number of Klan leaders throughout the state [redacted] putting forth a public program they will be able to attract [redacted] from the upper-class element and will be able, perhaps, to [redacted] effective organization and obtain some public support.

Source advised that the HCUA Hearings in Washington have succeeded in tearing up the UKA, Inc. in Mississippi to a certain extent, one of the major factors being the seeming incessant demands of [redacted] for more money. Source advised that [redacted] while in Washington for the HCUA Hearings, demanded that Mississippi leaders return and raise \$6000.00 for

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expenses in Washington. Source advised that he doubted seriously that this money would be forthcoming in view of the fact that a great many units, individuals and provinces have quit sending money to the state headquarters.

Source advised that the attempted reorganization would probably not take place until after the close of the HCUA Hearings in Washington, or at least until all witnesses from Mississippi have testified and returned home.

Bureau will be advised of any further developments in the organizational structure of the UKA, Inc., as well as recruiting activities of the National Knights.



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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Louisville, Kentucky
January 31, 1966

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RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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On August 27, 1965, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that one [redacted] residence [redacted] Walton, Kentucky, had been recently initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

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Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the Appendix of this memorandum.

On November 19, 1965, the records of the Credit Bureau, Covington, Kentucky, reveal that [redacted] in Walton, Kentucky. [redacted] age was listed as [redacted] years old and his employment at [redacted] The records contain no other information.

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with Delmaray Spencer on January 26, 1966, at Covington, Kentucky.

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[redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the purpose of the interview. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement, and that the interview could be terminated at any time he chose.

[redacted] stated that he is employed as [redacted] at [redacted] in Cincinnati, Ohio, and that he resides at [redacted] in Walton, Kentucky.

He continued that sometime last Summer, he did not recall the exact date, there was a great deal of publicity given to a Ku Klux Klan Meeting that was to be held somewhere up in Ohio on a farm or property belonging to one [redacted].

[redacted] He stated that more out of curiosity than anything else, he went to this location at the time of the meeting, made application and was initiated into the Ku Klux Klan. He stated he paid a \$15.00 initiation fee. He was advised that he later received notice of another meeting to be held at the same location, but that he has never attended that meeting or any other meeting of the Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] continued that he never knew [redacted] previously and could not even say that [redacted] was a member of the Ku Klux Klan other than the Klan Meeting was held on [redacted] property. [redacted] could not furnish the names of any other individuals who joined the Ku Klux Klan on that same date as he did.

[redacted] continued that there were many things in the Klan that he did not agree with including the use of force and violence and that he definitely was never involved nor would he ever become involved in such a situation.

The following description was obtained from observation and interview:

Name:

[redacted] (NO MIDDLE NAME)

On 1/26/66 at Covington, Kentucky File # Louisville 157-326

by SA [redacted]

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To: SAC, Jackson (157-2934)

From: Director, FBI (157-108) REC-70

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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Information set forth in referenced airtel should be submitted by letterhead memorandum in a form suitable for dissemination by return airtel unless the Jackson Office has logical reasons which would preclude dissemination. Dissemination should also be made to local Federal intelligence agencies.

Jackson should carefully follow this situation and keep Bureau advised.

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NOTE:

Jackson informant advised that local United Klans of America, Inc. organization was in difficulty because of distrust of [redacted] Efforts being made to reorganize under captioned organization. Dissemination should be made of this information to intelligence agencies unless Jackson has information which would preclude dissemination.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
 RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

AM 11:00 PM

MEMO TO: [REDACTED]

DATE: 8-23-68

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✓ Re Cleveland airtel to Cincinnati dated 1/27/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of a self-explanatory LHM.

The Cincinnati Office is being furnished seven (7) copies of the LHM for dissemination to appropriate Federal intelligence agencies. The Atlanta Office is being furnished two (2) copies of the LHM for information purposes.

In keeping with Bureau instructions set forth in Bureau airtel to Cleveland dated 1/28/66, information previously furnished to the Cincinnati Division by referenced Cleveland airtel is herewith incorporated into a LHM in view of its possible intelligence value to the Cincinnati Division and the Bureau.

No dissemination is being made by the Cleveland Office as the information relates to an incident which took place in the Cincinnati Division and participated in by Cincinnati subjects.

The confidential source mentioned in the LHM is
 [REDACTED] (Probationary).

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Cleveland, Ohio

January 31, 1966

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), appears as an appendix attached hereto.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on January 27, 1966, informed that during a speech given by [redacted] NKKKK [redacted] for Ohio, at the January 23, 1966 Cleveland, Ohio meeting of NKKKK Cuyahoga County Klavern #6 (Cuyahoga County),

[redacted] told of an incident wherein one of the members of the Dayton, Ohio Klavern got drunk and shot it out with an off-duty policeman in the Dayton, Ohio area. Following his release on bond, this Klansman personally approached [redacted] and asked that the Klan furnish him [redacted] refused and stated the Klan would not help anyone who took their courage from a bottle.

[redacted] mentioned that the individual in question is not known to the police as a Klansman. He also mentioned that this Klansman has a family of four children, the oldest being about four years of age. [redacted] could not reveal the Klansman's identity or further facts concerning the incident.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 31, 1966

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-326) (C)

SUBJECT: DELMARAY (NO MIDDLE NAME) SPENCER
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a Letterhead Memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

The unidentified source referred to in the enclosed is [redacted] the original record of which is recorded in Louisville File 157-224-35.

It is not felt the information in the enclosed warrants classification of the enclosed.

Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to Secret Service.

In view of the fact that no information has been developed indicating that the activities of [redacted] are such to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is being closed.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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January 31, 1966

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
 may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
 John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2
 U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky

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FROM: SAC, Cleveland (100-10261)NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)
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Local dissemination is being made to Secret Service, G-2, ONI, OSI and the USA, Cleveland, pursuant to Bureau instructions.

The confidential source mentioned in the LHM is
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM ATLANTA 292230

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RACIAL MATTERS
 (KLAN).

RE ATLANTA AIRTEL JANUARY 26 LAST.

[REDACTED] (PRUB) ADVISED PROPOSED CROSS BURNINGS,
 GRIFFIN, GA., CANCELLED FOR THIS PM. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAVE NOT RETURNED TO BARNESVILLE,
 GA. AREA. INFORMANT WILL BE ADVISED WHEN CROSS BURNINGS WILL
 BE RESCHEDULED. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ADVISED OF CHANGE IN PLANS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-457)
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN
 NEW CASTLE, PA.
 RACIAL MATTERS- KLAN
 OO: PITTSBURGH

On 1/19/66, the following prepaid advertisement appeared in the "personals" column of the "New Castle News," New Castle, Pa.:

"Join the National Ku Klux Klan, Post Office Box 653, New Castle, Pa., 16103, Thomas J. Mitchell, 337 East Washington Street,"

Pittsburgh indices disclose that [redacted] was a subscriber to "The Thunderbolt, NSRP," and had directed a "Letter of Opinion" to that publication in the past.

[redacted] does not have an arrest record at the New Castle Police Department, but has a poor credit rating with the Credit Bureau of Greater New Castle.

On 1/22/66, [redacted]

[redacted] New Castle, voluntarily appeared at the New Castle RA and advised SA [redacted] that they wanted to discuss this matter with the FBI. Both appeared emotionally upset during the interview and at times, [redacted] broke down and wept.

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 1-Cleveland (Info)
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1 - Atlanta (Info)

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*ant to Pittsburgh 3/28/66
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CQ *Wick* [redacted]
 Approved: *JHM* Sent _____ M Per _____
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He displayed razor-slash scars on both wrists carved by suicide attempts while serving in the U.S. Air Force from 10/19/61 to 8/10/64. [redacted] presently receiving \$240 per month compensation from the U.S. Government, which represents 100% disability following his honorable discharge from the U.S. Air Force for psychiatric reasons.

[redacted] stated that he became "disillusioned" of alleged "white supremacy" while serving with the U.S. Air Force in Germany and has since become interested in the Ku Klux Klan and other "hate organizations;" however, he stated that he has since realized the fallacies of the policies of these organizations and is going to disassociate himself from them altogether. [redacted]

stated that she has never agreed with her husband's former beliefs in this regard and feels that he is on the verge of another mental breakdown. They stated that they plan to depart from New Castle, where both were reared during the first week of February, 1966, for Youngstown, Ohio, where they will reside and seek employment.

[redacted] made available to SA [redacted] an assortment of literature and letters in connection with prior correspondence with the klan, American Nazi Party and the National States Rights Party. This literature will be forwarded to interested offices.

[redacted] volunteered that he knows of no other sympathizers in the New Castle area and has never held or attended any meetings.

[redacted] is described as follows

Race:
Sex:
Born:

White
Male
[redacted]

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Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:
Employment:

Education:

Military Status:

Scars and Marks:

Copy of this is being forwarded to the Cleveland Division for informational purposes inasmuch as the subject intends to take up residence at Youngstown, Ohio and copy to Atlanta since it is Office of Origin in case re National Ku Klux Klan.

MITCHELL HAS ADMITTED ATTEMPTING SUICIDE IN THE PAST.

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SAC, Cleveland (100-10261)

2/7/66

Director, FBI (157-168)

1 - Mr. Herington

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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Bureau of SA [redacted] dated 1/21/66 at
Cleveland.

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Referenced report indicates the definite organization of Klaverns Six and Seven in the Cleveland territory, each having 75 members. There is no indication of whether Klaverns One through Five have also been organized in Ohio or whether there are more than seven klaverns in existence in that state.

The Bureau is aware that state officials previously rescinded a charter which had been issued the Klan and that as of October, 1965, the Cincinnati Office indicated that there was no formal organization of the Klan in Ohio. The information furnished by the Cleveland Office tends to indicate that formal organization has taken place.

Accordingly, your coverage of Klan activities must be intensified. You should be aware of the number of members, their identities, the identities of the leaders and of the general activities of each klavern presently in existence. The Bureau has previously indicated that a minimum of one member informant must be developed or placed in each klavern of each Klan organization. This is only a minimum requirement and you are expected to develop sufficient informant coverage to keep you aware of all Klan activities and in particular of any potential violence planned by Klan organizations or their members.

Wherever the Klan has become organized, there has been a proportionate increase in racial tension. Such an increase in racial tension very often results in acts of violence and you must be particularly cognizant of those members who have a

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Letter to SAC, Cleveland
RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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propensity for violence. Any information regarding potential violence must be immediately disseminated to appropriate Federal intelligence agencies and furnished the Bureau for dissemination. You should also advise local authorities of any potential violence within their jurisdiction.

Inasmuch as the Klan is still in its early formative stages in Ohio, a definite opportunity is presented for you to gear your intelligence coverage to Klan growth to stay on top of the situation and also for you to develop effective counter-intelligence measures aimed at disrupting the Klan in your state. Of course, any specific plans for counterintelligence activity must be submitted to the Bureau and prior Bureau authority obtained before such plans are put into action.

The Bureau expects the Cincinnati and Cleveland Offices to take an aggressive approach to the Klan problem. In the Bureau's experience, there have been several areas where the Klan seemed to spring up overnight, and the offices found it impossible to obtain the coverage required. Careful planning is vital if Cincinnati and Cleveland are to stay on top of this situation. You are reminded that all pertinent developments regarding Klan activities in Ohio must be promptly brought to the Bureau's attention.

NOTE:

There is evidence that captioned organization is becoming organized in Ohio after several months of membership-recruiting without effective organization. The above instructions are being issued to emphasize to the Cincinnati and Cleveland Offices the importance of these investigations and the necessity of staying on top of the situation to avoid becoming overwhelmed by sudden Klan growth.

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1 - Mr. Herington

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SAC
To: SAC, Pittsburgh (157-457)
From: Director, FBI (157-168) —
NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN REC-47
NEW CASTLE, PA.
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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RePGairtel 1/27/68.

The Pittsburgh Office should promptly submit a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination setting forth information in referenced airtel. This letterhead memorandum should also be disseminated by the Pittsburgh Office locally to Secret Service and appropriate Federal intelligence agencies.

1 - Cleveland
1 - Atlanta

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NOTE:

Pittsburgh airtel indicated [redacted] had associated himself with captioned organization and other radical right wing groups. He and his wife voluntarily appeared at New Castle Resident Agency and furnished background information indicating also that he was disassociating himself from these organizations. [redacted] has history of mental disturbance and this information should be appropriately disseminated.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Wick
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM W.M.B. SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
 SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
 THE KU KLUX KLAN
 RACIAL MATTERS

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 DATE 8-2-2008 BY SP4/TB

For the Bureau's information, late on the evening of 1/29/66, PCI [redacted] who is a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), advised that moments before [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, area members of the NKKKK, had been in the bar which he owns and operates and had appeared to be in an excited state. They asked him if he had a gun and if he could come with them "to get someone." He advised that his business would not allow him to leave at that time, and they left without explaining the reason for their excitement or the identity of their alleged intended victim. [redacted] advised that the two were driving a 1965 white Dodge [redacted] which is equipped with a sending and receiving radio. [redacted] advised that if able, he would have gone with them to determine their plans and action.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] was angry recently because his son was replaced in his job by a Negro, and he

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- (2 - 157-245)
- (2 - 157-[redacted])
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determination, shk

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C. C. Wick

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Special Agent in Charge

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assumed that this was what was involved.

Immediately thereafter, [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, PD, was advised of the alleged intentions of [redacted] to possibly commit violence and the description of [redacted] vehicle, without revealing the identity of the informant. He was also advised that [redacted] car is equipped with the radio. [redacted] stated that he would, without jeopardizing the investigation, place a "spot and see" alert with patrol car to observe, but not stop, instant vehicle.

As of 1/29/66, no information was received that [redacted] had committed any act of violence.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/2/66

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-325) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 2-23-88 BY S.P. [Signature]

8-26-66
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Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning captioned individual. Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated to the local Secret Service.

In view of no information being developed, indicating the activities of [REDACTED] are such as to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is being closed.

2-Bureau (Enc.8) *ENCLOSURE*
1-Cincinnati (Enc.1) (Info)
1-Louisville

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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER
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DATE FORW: 2-10-66
HOW FORW: b/s
BY: [Signature]

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EX-REC-87 105-17763
16 FEB 7 1966

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Louisville 2, Kentucky

February 2, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 1-23-58 BY SP8uz/jar

[redacted]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

On August 8, 1964, [redacted] was interviewed by Bureau Agents, at which time he [redacted] advised that he had filed an application for membership into the National Knights of the Klu Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau, furnished the following information on [redacted] from his file. His residence is listed as [redacted] Covington, Kentucky. [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, [redacted] employer - [redacted] Body. The file reflected that on February, 1962, [redacted] was sentenced to 3 days in the workhouse and fined \$100. He was suspended from driving for a year when he was convicted for driving under the influence of alcohol in Cincinnati, Ohio.

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Identification Division, Covington, Kentucky, Police Department, advised that he had no record in his file identifiable with one [redacted]

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with [redacted] on January 25, 1966, at Fort Thomas, Kentucky

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date February 2, 1966

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Interviewee
 [redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [redacted]
 Fort Thomas, Kentucky. He was advised by Special Agent [redacted] that he did not have to make any statement, and any statement he might make could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised that he had the right to consult an attorney, or anyone of his choice prior to making any statement. [redacted] was asked if he was a member of or associated with the National Knights of the Klu Klux Klan (NKKKK). He advised that he was not a member, however, he stated that he had applied for membership to the NKKKK approximately two years ago. He stated that he had given this application to [redacted] in Silverton, Kentucky. He advised that since he has applied for membership he has not heard anything from the Klan, and he no longer has any interest in joining the Klan.

He stated that he is sympathetic with some of the ideas of the Klan, however, he does not plan to become a member of the Klan in view of the fact that he has never heard from them since he had filed his application.

When asked if he attended any of the meetings of the NKKKK he advised that he attended rallies on a farm on Oregonia, Ohio, however, he did not make any of the rallies in the Northern Kentucky area. He stated that he has not taken any oath or paid any dues to the NKKKK, and he advised that he does not know of anyone in the Northern Kentucky area who is a member of the NKKKK.

A description of [redacted] as obtained through observation and interview is as follows:

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Residence

[redacted]
Fort Thomas, Kentucky

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On 1/26/66 at Fort Thomas, Kentucky File # LS 157-325

by SA [redacted] JJS:smh Date dictated 1/31/66



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

February 2, 1966

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2)
 U. S. Secret Service Louisville, Kentucky

Enclosure(s) 1,

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 3, 1966

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-317) (C)

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

OO: LOUISVILLE

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 2-23-88 BY SP84/JL

Reference Louisville airtel to Atlanta, dated November 22, 1965, and Cincinnati letter to Louisville, dated January 18, 1966.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of Letterhead Memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

The unidentified source referred to in the enclosed Letterhead Memorandum is [REDACTED] original record of which is recorded in Louisville file 157-224-35.

It is not felt that the information in the enclosed warrants classification of the enclosed.

Copies of the enclosed are being disseminated to the Secret Service locally.

Since no information has been developed indicating that the activities of [REDACTED] are such as to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is being considered closed.

② - Bureau (Enc. 8)
1 - Cincinnati (Enc. 1) (Info) MCT-19
1 - Louisville
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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

DEPT ISD: CRD

DATE FORW: 2-14-66

HOW FORW: R.S.

BY: SP84

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

February 3, 1966

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2
 U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Louisville, Kentucky
February 3, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8wz/jch

[redacted]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

On August 27, 1965, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that one [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, had recently been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the Appendix of this memorandum.

On November 19, 1965, the records of the Credit Bureau of Northern Kentucky, Covington, Kentucky, reflected that [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, filed bankruptcy in August, 1964. His employment was listed as [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, but that he was discharged from this employment in March, 1965. His age was listed as [redacted] years and his credit rating was listed as unsatisfactory.

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with [redacted] on January 25, 1966, at Covington, Kentucky.

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Date 1/31/66

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[redacted] Covington, Kentucky, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, of the nature of the inquiry, and of the fact that he did not have to make a statement and that he could terminate the interview at any time.

[redacted] advised that he is presently residing at [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, and that he is unemployed.

[redacted] was asked whether he was a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). He stated that sometime during the past summer, the exact date not recalled, he went to the farm of [redacted] in Orgonia, Ohio, and attended a meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan that he had heard about through news media. He stated that while at the farm of [redacted] during this meeting, he made application, paid a \$15.00 initiation fee and became a member of the NKKKK. He stated that he was supposed to have returned at a subsequent date for additional initiation ceremonies and received a letter to this effect, but he never went back. He also received letters concerning Klan Meetings in Newport, Kentucky, at the Eagle's Hall, but he understands that this meeting was subsequently postponed because the authorities declined to allow the Klan to use the Hall.

[redacted] went on to advise that he sympathized with some of the aims of the Klan, but others including violence and other illegal methods of achieving their aims, he did not agree with.

The following description was obtained from observation and interview:

Name:
Residence:

[redacted]
Covington, Kentucky

Race:
Sex:

White
Male

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On 1/25/66 at Covington, Kentucky File # Louisville 157-317

by SA [redacted] JMB/vp Date dictated 1/29/66

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Date: 2-3-66

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/kjt/kt

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (157-393)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INCORPORATED
(NKKKK), aka
RM (KLAN)Re SL airtel to the Bureau, 1-24-66 and Bureau radiogram to
St. Louis and Springfield, 1-27-66.Enclosed herewith are 8 copies of a letterhead memo concerning
alleged meeting in Monroe County, Illinois, 1-29-66. Copies of
LHM also enclosed for St. Louis and Atlanta.Information concerning Klan meeting was disseminated to
[redacted] Monroe County, Illinois, on 1-28-66 and to
[redacted] NA, Illinois State Police District, E.
St. Louis, Illinois.

Information concerning meeting self-explanatory per LHM.

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 2 - St. Louis (157-1506) (Enc. 3) RM
 1 - Atlanta (Enc. 1) Info RM
 3 - Springfield (2- 157-393)
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 AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

DEPT ISD: CRD

DATE FORW: 2-9-66

HOW FORW: R/S

BY:

CC: [Signature]

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Klan UnitApproved: R. J. G. Sent _____ M Per _____
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

421 South Sixth Street
Springfield, Illinois 62701
February 3, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP674/JL

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

On January 31, 1966, [redacted]
[redacted] of the Illinois State Police District at East St. Louis, Illinois, furnished information that he and other State Police troopers were in the vicinity of the Kern farm, RFD, Valmeyer, Monroe County, Illinois, on the evening of January 29, 1966. He furnished information that five automobiles bearing Missouri licenses as listed, were observed in the vicinity of the Kern farm on the late afternoon of January 29, 1966. Vehicles and licenses are as follows:

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[redacted] advised there was nothing definite to establish that the vehicle bearing Missouri license [redacted] issued to [redacted] was part of this gathering. He stated that at 6:30 PM, 3 automobiles and a pickup truck left the [redacted] farm and all of the lights at the farm were extinguished at the [redacted] farm at this time.

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FBI - SPRINGFIELD

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

[redacted] stated a [redacted]
contacted a trooper in the Monroe County area on the late afternoon of January 29, 1966 and requested directions to the [redacted] farm. The person identifying himself as [redacted] had in his possession a hand-drawn map, which had been photocopied. On arriving at the farm, [redacted] placed his personal vehicle at the point where the Kern farm road meets the rural county road.

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[redacted] stated the vehicle bearing Missouri license [redacted] which is issued to [redacted] [redacted] St. Louis, Missouri, was actually driven by a person identifying himself to one of the officers as [redacted] Florissant, Missouri.

[redacted] stated the weather was very severe on the evening of January 29, 1966 with the temperature well below zero. He said from the short period of time that the various individuals were at the Kern farm, it did not appear that a meeting of any length could have taken place.

The NKKKK is characterized in the attached appendix.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 9, 1966

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-327) (C)

SUBJECT: BENNIE E. COLLINS
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

OO: LOUISVILLE

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-23-88 BY SP847/jm

Reference Louisville airtel to Atlanta, dated November 22, 1965; Atlanta letter to Louisville, dated January 4, 1966; and Cincinnati letter to Louisville, dated January 12, 1966.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of Letterhead Memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

The unidentified source referred to in the enclosed is [redacted] original record of which is recorded in Louisville file 157-224-35.

It is not felt the information in the enclosed warrants classification of the enclosed.

Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to the Secret Service.

In view of no information being developed indicating the activities of the subject are such to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is being considered closed.

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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

DEPT ISD: CRD

DATE FORW: 2-14-66

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BY: *[Signature]*

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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J. Edgar Hoover
 John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
 U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Louisville, Kentucky
February 9, 1966

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BENNIE E. COLLINS
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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On August 27, 1965, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that one [redacted] Covington, Kentucky, had been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Information concerning the NKKKK is set forth in the Appendix of this memorandum.

On November 19, 1965, the records of the Credit Bureau of Northern Kentucky, Covington, Kentucky, reflected that [redacted] was employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Cincinnati, Ohio. His age was listed as [redacted] years. [redacted] was listed as an employee of [redacted] Covington, Kentucky. The file listed a divorce action of [redacted] in May, 1965. [redacted] was listed as having a poor credit rating.

Attached is a copy of a report of interview with [redacted] on January 24, 1966, at Covington, Kentucky.

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Date 2/1/661

[redacted] Covington, Kentucky, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, the purpose of the interview and of the fact that [redacted] need make no statement and could terminate the interview at any time.

[redacted] advised that he is an employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad in Cincinnati, Ohio.

He stated that sometime during the Summer of 1965, the exact date he did not recall, he saw a considerable amount of news media information concerning a purposed National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan rally in Oregonia, Ohio. He stated that he decided more out of curiosity than anything else to attend this rally and he did so, the date unrecalled. He recalled that there were numerous people at this rally, but that he did not know any of them, however, he did meet one [redacted] on whose property the meeting took place.

[redacted] advised that he did sign a membership card for the Ku Klux Klan, but that he did not pay the \$15.00 initiation fee that the Klan required.

[redacted] went on to advise that he subsequently received literature from the Klan advising of additional meetings and that he did attend one other meeting held in Covington, Kentucky, sometime in September, 1965. He stated that at this meeting in Covington, there was some sort of an altercation concerning a fire that the Klan had built and several people were arrested, but he did not know who they were nor what the details of the altercation were.

[redacted] continued that he did not agree with all programs backed by the Klan and certainly did not agree with their reported violence and intimidation that he has heard about. He stated that he did not intend to remain active in the Klan since their aims and objectives were not coincidental with his own.

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On 1/24/66 at Covington, Kentucky File # Louisville 157-327

by SA [redacted] /vp Date dictated 1/27/66

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 8, 1966

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-309) (C)

SUBJECT:

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning the captioned individual. Also enclosed for Cincinnati is one copy of this letterhead memorandum.

The unidentified source referred to in the enclosed is [redacted] original record of which is recorded in Louisville file 157-224-34.

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Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to the Secret Service.

In view of no information being developed indicating that the activities of [redacted] are such as to require investigation of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is being considered closed.

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1 - Cincinnati (157-697) (Enc. 1) (Info)
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

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Director
 United States Secret Service
 Department of the Treasury
 Washington, D. C. 20220

February 8, 1966

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Louisville, Kentucky

February 8, 1966

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[REDACTED]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

On August 20, 1965, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that one Sherret [REDACTED] Florence, Kentucky, had recently been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Information concerning the NKKK is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT [REDACTED] On September 16, 1965, [REDACTED] Credit Bureau of Northern Kentucky, Covington, Kentucky, advised that a review of the files in his agency reflected the following information regarding one [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who formerly resided at [REDACTED] Burlington, Kentucky, and currently a resident at [REDACTED] Florence, Kentucky, with [REDACTED]

Records pertaining to [REDACTED] have been on file at the Credit Bureau of Northern Kentucky since 1949. Barnett is presently [REDACTED] years of age. As of May, 1963, he had been self-employed as the [REDACTED] located at Florence, Kentucky. Prior to that time, [REDACTED] worked for [REDACTED]

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[redacted] Newport, Kentucky. [redacted]
credit record was considered good by [redacted]

On September 16, 1965, [redacted]
Identification Division, Covington Police Department,
Covington, Kentucky, advised that a review of the files
of his department fail to reflect any records of arrest
identifiable with one [redacted]

On January 29, 1966, [redacted]
[redacted] Florence Police Department, Florence, Kentucky,
advised that he could locate no records in his files
identifiable with one [redacted]

Attached is a copy of a report of interview
with [redacted] on January 24, 1966, conducted
at Florence, Boone County, Kentucky.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 28, 1966

[redacted] who is also known as [redacted] Florence, Kentucky, was interviewed at his place of employment, [redacted] at the junction of [redacted] in Florence, Kentucky.

[redacted] was immediately advised of the official identities of SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] and was further advised by SA [redacted] that he need not make any statement and that if he did say anything it may possibly be used against him in a court of law. He was further advised that he had the right to talk with anyone before saying anything and that he also had the right to an attorney.

[redacted] from the interview, advised as follows:

He did attend the meeting of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan which was held on the farm of [redacted] at Oregonia, Ohio, during the latter part of the summer of 1965. [redacted] advised that he could not remember the exact date of his attendance.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

He further advised that he agreed with much of the philosophy which was discussed at this meeting, although he did not agree with some of it.

While at the meeting he advised that he did not know anyone else who was in attendance. He stated that he did not know if there were any members of the Ku Klux Klan in the Northern Kentucky area. He did advise, however, that there was no Kentucky Klavern presently in operation.

[redacted] stated that he was not a member of the Ku Klux Klan because of his not having completed the "full works" of the initiation.

He further added that he could not furnish any

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On 1/24/66 at Florence, Kentucky File # LS 157-309

by SA [redacted] RC/ac Date dictated 1/24/66

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information regarding the Ku Klux Klan activities in Northern Kentucky, and furthermore, would not make available any information regarding same.

He advised that he works approximately six days a week at his gas station and did not attend any other meeting except that at the farm of [redacted] during the summer of 1965. He said he is very busy conducting his business and does not have too much time for outside activities.

[redacted]
The following description of [redacted]
was obtained through observation and interview:

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM - KLAN
(OO: Atlanta)

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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau dated 1/26/66 and Atlanta
airtel to Bureau dated 1/29/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and 7 copies
of LHM setting forth information concerning the postponement
of cross burnings at Griffin, Ga.

[redacted] (PROB) who will maintain close
contact with [redacted] concerning any proposed cross
burnings in GRIFFIN, Ga.

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(7) AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER
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HOW FORW: RS
BY: [redacted]

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Approved: J. Bl Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Atlanta, Georgia
February 8, 1966

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
PROPOSED CROSS BURNINGS ON NIGHT OF
JANUARY 29, 1966, AT GRIFFIN, GEORGIA

On January 29, 1966, [redacted] advised that members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., had gone to Griffin, Georgia, on the evening of January 28, 1966, and contacted [redacted] Griffin, Georgia. Purpose of the trip to Griffin, Georgia, was to determine plans for cross burnings at Griffin, Georgia, on the night of January 29, 1966. [redacted] advised that he had been unable to find the location of the residence of LEO BLACKWELL, Chief of Police, Griffin, Georgia, and therefore they would not be able to burn the cross in front of BLACKWELL's home. It was decided that the cross burnings would be postponed until a later date unless [redacted] returned to the Barnesville, Georgia, area on January 29, 1966.

[redacted] did not return to the Barnesville, Georgia, area and the plans to burn crosses at Griffin, Georgia, were postponed indefinitely.

On January 29, 1966, LEO BLACKWELL, Chief of Police, Griffin, Georgia, was advised of the plans to postpone cross burnings at Griffin, Georgia, on the night of January 29, 1966, by members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

On January 28, 1966, [redacted] Georgia Bureau of Investigation, was advised of the proposed plans by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., to burn crosses at Griffin, Georgia, on January 29, 1966. On January 29, 1966, [redacted] was advised of the postponement plans by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Klan, Inc., to burn crosses in Griffin, Georgia.

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Atlanta, Georgia
February 8, 1966

Title	NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., PROPOSED CROSS BURNINGS ON NIGHT OF JANUARY 29, 1966, AT GRIFFIN, GEORGIA
Character	
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above at Atlanta, Georgia.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 11, 1966

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-314) (C)

SUBJECT:

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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The title is marked changed to reflect true name
of subject also known as [redacted]
is the name which appears on the initiation records of the
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, [redacted]

Enclosed are eight copies of Letterhead Memorandum
concerning the captioned individual.

[redacted] is [redacted] the unidentified source referred to in the enclosed
is [redacted] original record of which is recorded in Louisville
157-224-35.

It is not felt the information in the enclosed
warrants classification of the enclosed.

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locally to Secret Service.

In view of no information being developed indicating
the activities of [redacted] are such as to require investigation
of him, no further action is being taken and this matter is
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1 - Cincinnati (Enc. 1) (Info)
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DATE FORW: 2/15/66

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

February 11, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Louisville, Kentucky
February 11, 1966

[REDACTED] KNOWN AS

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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On August 27, 1965, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past furnished a list containing names and addresses of individuals who had been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and have paid their \$15.00 dues. Included among these names furnished by the source was that of [REDACTED] later determined to be [REDACTED] Ludlow, Kentucky).

Information concerning the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth in the Appendix of this Memorandum.

[REDACTED] On January 31, 1966, [REDACTED]
Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau furnished the following information on [REDACTED] from his file:

[REDACTED] has been on file since December, 1960,
and residence listed as [REDACTED] Ludlow, Kentucky.
Previous employment at [REDACTED] and the
[REDACTED]. In September of 1964,
he was employed by Cincinnati Milling. [REDACTED] listed as
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] maintains satisfactory credit rating and there was no derogatory information in the file.

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On January 31, 1966, [redacted] Identification
Division, Covington, Kentucky, Police Department, furnished the
following information on Frank McNay from his file:

June 29, 1959 - arrested for speeding, fined \$20.00.

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April 28, 1965 - charged with speeding, disposition
\$15.00 and costs.

[redacted] attached is a copy of a report of interview with [redacted]
on January 27, 1966, at Covington, Kentucky.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 2/3/66

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[redacted] voluntarily appeared at the Covington, Kentucky Federal Bureau of Investigation Office. He was advised by SA [redacted] that he did not have to make a statement and any statement he might make could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised he had the right to consult an attorney or anyone of his choice prior to making any statement.

[redacted] advised that he owns a 1965 Chevrolet. He further stated that he had attended meetings of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Covington, Kentucky, on both September 25, and 26, 1965. He also advised that he attended the rally in Brunswick, Ohio, in the Summer of 1965. [redacted] stated he is not a member of the Ku Klux Klan nor does he have a membership card. When asked if he had ever taken an oath, he refused to answer the question. He advised that he had been to the farm of [redacted] in Oregonia, Ohio, and he has also had a few of the men who he observed at the Klan rallies over to his own home. He stated that he has attended other meetings of the Klan, but he did not desire to discuss the place or the time of these meetings. [redacted] admitted to the fact of furnishing money to the Klan which he considered a donation. In particular, he advised that he is a subscriber to newspaper put out by [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he sympathizes with some ideas of the Ku Klux Klan and has been affiliated with the Klan since the Summer of 1965. When asked if he knew the names of any of the individuals who had attended the Klan rallies, he refused to answer the question. He denied knowing anyone by name as being a member of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. When asked who was running the Klan organizations in the Northern Kentucky area, he advised that he did not know and he stated that although many people sympathized with some of the idea of the Klan, there were not many people who attended Klan meetings. [redacted]

The following description of [redacted]
obtained through observation and interview:

Name: [redacted]
Residence:

Bromley Road, Ludlow, Kentucky

B. M. [redacted] CEN 1001, 1966

On 1/27/66 at Covington, Kentucky File # Louisville 157-314

SA [redacted]
SA [redacted]

JJS/vp

Date dictated 1/31/66

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Place of Birth:

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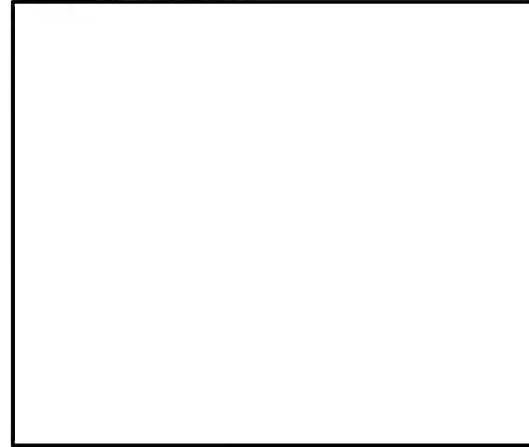
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Automobile:



[redacted] advised that the above mentioned [redacted]
is [redacted] of the United Klan of
America, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/10/66

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-329) (C)

SUBJECT:

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

OO: Louisville

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The title is marked changed to reflect the true name of the subject a [redacted] also known as [redacted]

The name [redacted] appeared on an application for membership into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letter-head memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

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AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER

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In view of no information being developed indicating the activities of [redacted] are such as to require additional investigation, no further action is being taken and this matter is being closed.

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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February 11, 1966

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 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2
 U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky.

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Louisville, Kentucky
February 10, 1966



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RACIAL MATTERS
(KLAN)

On October 22, 1964, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished a number of applications for membership into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). Included in those furnished by the source was one for [redacted] California, Kentucky, (later determined to be [redacted] of the same address).

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A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau, Covington, Kentucky, furnished the following information on Dan H. Gentry from his file:

Residence [redacted]

Wife [redacted]
Occupation [redacted]

The file reflected that [redacted] has a satisfactory credit rating and there was nothing derogatory in the file.

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On October 21, 1965, [redacted]
Identification, Covington Police Department, Covington,
Kentucky, advised that he had no record in his files
identifiable with one [redacted]

On January 12, 1966, Assistant Chief Jack Edgely,
Campbell County, Police Department, advised that he had
no record in his files identifiable with one [redacted]

Attached is a copy of report of interview with
[redacted] on February 8, 1966, at California, Kentucky.

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Date February 10, 1966

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[redacted]
 [redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] California, Kentucky. He was advised by Special Agent [redacted] that he did not have to make any statement, that any statement he might make could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised that he had a right to counsel or anyone of his own choice prior to making any statement.

[redacted] was asked if he is at present or ever was a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. He advised that he is not now a member of the Klan, nor has he ever been a member. He stated that he has never applied for membership to the Klan nor has he ever taken any Klan oath.

When asked if he had attended any of the meetings of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) in the Ohio or Northern Kentucky area, [redacted] advised that he had never attended any Klan meetings or rallies anywhere in Ohio or Kentucky. He further stated that he has never contributed any donations to the Klan or paid any dues to Klan activities.

[redacted] advised that to the best of his knowledge, he doesn't know of anyone who is a member of the Klan.

When asked if he ever used the name of [redacted] he advised that he has never used such a name and always has gone by the name of [redacted]

A description of [redacted] as obtained through observation and interview, is as follows:

Name
Residence

[redacted]
California, Kentucky.

Race
Sex

White
Male

On 2/8/66 at California, Kentucky File # LS 157-329

by SA [redacted] / lm -3- Date dictated 2/8/66

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/11/66

FROM : SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-321) (C)

SUBJECT:

[REDACTED]
RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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OO: Louisville

The title is marked changed to reflect the true name of the subject as [REDACTED] previously carried as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a name that appears on the initiation records of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK).

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letter-head memorandum concerning the captioned individual.

The unidentified source referred to in the enclosed letterhead memorandum is [REDACTED] the original record of which is recorded in Louisville File Number 157-224-35. It is not felt that the information in the enclosed warrants classification of the enclosed.

Copies of the enclosed have been disseminated locally to the Secret Service.

A copy of the enclosed is also being sent the Cincinnati Division.

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In view of no information being developed indicating that the activities of [redacted] are such as to require additional investigation, no further action is being taken, and this matter is being closed.

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*In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.*

February 10, 1966

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
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 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
 may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2
 U. S. Secret Service, Louisville, Kentucky

Enclosure(s) 1

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Louisville, Kentucky
February 11, 1966In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.RACIAL MATTERS
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On August 27, 1965, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished a list containing names and addresses of individuals who had been initiated into the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) and had paid their \$15.00 dues. Included among these names furnished by the source was that of [redacted] Erlanger, Kentucky, (later determined to be [redacted] who had resided at the above address).

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau, Covington, Kentucky, advised that he had no record in his files identifiable with one [redacted]

On October 21, 1965, [redacted] Identification Division, Covington, Kentucky, Police Department, advised that his files reflected that he had a record for one [redacted] possibly identical with the subject, residing on [redacted] Newport, Kentucky. [redacted] was arrested on January 21, 1956, and charged with drunk; disposition was \$10.00 plus costs. At the time of the arrest, [redacted] years old.

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On January 10, 1966, [redacted]
Erlanger, Kentucky, Police Department advised that he
had no record identifiable with one [redacted]

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Attached is a copy of a report of interview
with [redacted] on February 8, 1966, at Covington,
Kentucky.

A characterization of the National States
Rights Party, which is mentioned in the
following report of interview, is set
forth in the appendix of this memorandum.

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Date February 10, 19661

[redacted] was interviewed at his residence, Covington, Kentucky. He was advised by Special Agent [redacted] that he did not have to make any statement, and that any statement he might make could be used against him in a court of law. He was also advised that he had a right to consult an attorney or anyone of his own choice prior to making any statement.

[redacted] advised that he previously resided at [redacted] Erlanger, Kentucky, for about one year, leaving this residence approximately two months ago.

[redacted] stated that he has never used the name [redacted]

[redacted] was asked if he was a member of, or associated with, the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK). He advised that he is not a member of the Klan, has never been a member of the Klan, and has never applied for membership to the Klan. He did state, however, that he was interested in some of the ideas of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), however, he has never made application to this party.

When asked if he had attended any of the Klan meetings in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, or the Northern Kentucky area, [redacted] advised that he has never attended any Klan function either in Ohio or Kentucky. He further stated that he has never, in fact, attended any Klan meeting or rally whatsoever.

[redacted] stated that he has not taken any oath or paid any dues to the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and he advised that to the best of his knowledge, he knows of no one who is a member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] further stated that he has no interest in any Klan activities or any activities of the States Rights Party at the present time.

On 2/8/66 at Covington, Kentucky File # LS 157-321

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 Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
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ATTENTION:
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 DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

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CR EL VRA-65 CRA-64
 BM BM-Threats Racial Matters
 Klan Organization

Summary of Complaint:

Refer to attached LHM.

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau 2/1/66, and Bureau routing slip to Cincinnati 2/7/66.

Confidential source is PCI
 who furnished information to SA on
 1/29/66.

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ACTION: UACB:

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 Preliminary investigation instituted
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SA [redacted] furnished information concerning
this matter to [redacted] Dayton, Ohio,
Police Department.

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Cincinnati, Ohio
February 11, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP847 [Signature]

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

On January 29, 1966, a confidential source of the Cincinnati Office furnished the following information to a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Two individuals who are Klan members named [redacted] [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, and [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, came into the Blue Chip Tavern this same date. These two individuals appeared to be in an excited state and inquired of the owner of this tavern if he could furnish them with a gun to get someone. The tavern owner stated he could furnish them with no weapons and shortly thereafter both these individuals departed the tavern. The identity of the alleged victim was never made known by these two individuals.

These two men were driving a 1965 white Dodge owned by [redacted] which is equipped with a sending and receiving radio. The confidential source said he was aware that [redacted] was angered recently because [redacted] was replaced in his job by a Negro, and he assumed that this was the cause for their actions.

This same date the above information was furnished to [redacted] Detective Unit, Dayton, Ohio, Police Department in view of the possibility of the contemplated violence. [redacted] stated that his department would take appropriate action.

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 Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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~~DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.~~

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 BM BM-Threats Racial Matters
 Klan Organization

Summary of Complaint:

Re Jackson airtel to Bureau, 1/27/66.

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Jackson, Mississippi

February 7, 1966

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS (ORGANIZATION)

On January 25, 1966, a confidential source advised that currently [redacted] Kleagle, Mathison, Mississippi, and [redacted] Klansman for Tupelo, Mississippi, and he understands others, have been in contact with James Venable, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Atlanta, Georgia, and are actively recruiting members for Venable's organization in Mississippi. Source stated also that [redacted]

[redacted] by the name of [redacted] from Meridian, Mississippi, is reportedly engaged in recruiting activities for the National Knights. Source has advised that it is his understanding that [redacted] of Province Titan, Dexter Torrance at Meridian, Mississippi and [redacted] are working toward securing members for Venable's outfit.

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NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN, also known as Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Majority Citizens League

A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the klans unity of effort and activities, to establish a National Fund and a National Secretary and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of Arkansas Klans, Arkansas; Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Hyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2 - 5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

This source also advised that at a consolidation meeting at Savannah, Georgia, October 3, 1960, it was resolved and passed that in any future meetings of this group the name "Majority Citizens League" was to be used.

[redacted] source advised that at a National Klonklave meeting at Texarkana, Texas, on February 11 - 12, 1961, a motion was carried that there were to be at least six national meetings a year to be held any time from one week to twelve weeks after the last meeting. The time and meeting place were to be decided by the newly-elected chairman. [redacted] source also advised that at each meeting a new chairman and acting secretary were to be elected to serve at the next meeting. A national secretary had not been appointed.

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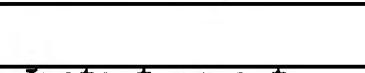
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Date: February 14, 1966

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Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Synopsis: Headquarters of National KKK located in the Coral Garmon Bldg., Tucker, Ga. JAMES R. VENABLE is the Imperial Wizard. National KKK was chartered 11/1/63 in Dekalb Co., Ga., as a patriotic, secret, social and benevolent order. The organization is anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The organization is a coalition of other klan organizations and is an effort by VENABLE to unite all groups under his leadership. During 1965 there were 3 national meetings of the National KKK held in Georgia. The organization also sponsored a rally at Stone Mountain, Ga., on 9/4/65. Four other local rallies were sponsored by the National KKK in Georgia in 1965. The organization has organized klaverns in Ohio, North Carolina, Louisiana, and Alabama, as well as in Georgia. Following the rally on 9/4/65 the treasury had a balance of \$2.76. National KKK issues no publications. Pertinent information concerning member klan organizations set forth.

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DETAILS:

A characterization of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is included in the appendix section of this report.

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PART A

INFORMATION RELATING TO NATIONAL ACTIVITIES
OF NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

Headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated (NKKKK) is located in the Carl Garmon Building, Idlewood Road and Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker, Georgia.

[redacted] December 17, 1965)

B. Charter Information

A meeting of the NKKKK was held at the National Headquarters at Tucker, Georgia, September 6, 1964, at which meeting JAMES R. VENABLE announced to the group that he had incorporated the NKKKK, and he stated it is being operated as a separate Klan the same as the other Klans enjoining membership in the national group.

[redacted] September 16, 1964)

The NKKKK was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated.

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C. Objectives

The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social and benevolent order.

In December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born.

[redacted] December, 1963)

D. National Officers

Currently the National Officers of the NKKKK are as follows:

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JAMES R. VENABLE
MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

JAMES R. VENABLE - Imperial Wizard

[redacted] October 6, 1965)

E. Member Klan Organizations

The NKKKK is an effort by JAMES R. VENABLE to unite all Klan groups under his leadership. It is a coalition of Klan groups, most of which are small.

[redacted] March 20, 1964)

The following are among the Klan organizations considered as members of the NKKKK:

Association of South Carolina Klans
United Florida Ku Klux Klan
Association of Georgia Klans
Improved Order of U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

[redacted] October 6, 1965)

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Characterizations of the above organizations are included in the appendix section of this report.

II. ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

National meetings of the NKKKK during 1965 were held at Tucker, Georgia, on January 23-24, 1965; April 10-11, 1965; and September 5, 1965.

[redacted] January 27, 1965 and
September 7, 1965)
April 12, 1965)

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A National Klan Day Rally was held September 4, 1965, in the cow pasture owned by JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, at Stone Mountain, Georgia. Speakers were JAMES R. VENABLE, WILLIAM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[REDACTED] September 7, 1965}
September 6, 1965}
September 6, 1965)

Rallies sponsored by the NKKKK in Georgia were held July 17, 1965, near Rockmart, Georgia; August 21, 1965, at Thomaston, Georgia; October 23, 1965, at Hartwell, Georgia; and November 25, 1965, at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

[REDACTED] July 20, 1965
September 20, 1965
November 2, 1965)
October 6, 1965)
November 26, 1965)

III. FINANCES

There was a national meeting of the NKKKK held in the Carl Garmon Building, Tucker, Georgia, on September 5, 1965, and it was announced that prior to the rally on September 4, 1965, there was \$204.16 in the treasury. \$140 was collected at the rally. The total expenses for the rally amounted to \$341.40 which was paid. The balance then left in the treasury was \$2.76.

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[REDACTED] September 7, 1965)

Each adult male who joins the NKKKK pays a \$15 Klektoken (initial dues). Each woman member pays \$12 and each teenage member pays \$10. One half of that amount is to be given to the National Headquarters of the NKKKK, Tucker, Georgia.

[REDACTED] October 6, 1965)

IV. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

The NKKKK issues no publications.

[REDACTED] February 11, 1966)

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V. MISCELLANEOUS

On September 29, 1965, [redacted] Kentucky State Police, Frankfort, Kentucky, advised that two members of the Kentucky State Police attended a rally of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) held near Covington, Kentucky, September 25 and 26, 1965, in an undercover capacity. During the attendance they obtained an application for membership in the organization which reflects the National Headquarters to be Post Office Box 107, Tucker, Georgia. No information has been received indicating that a chapter or klavern of the NKKKK has been formed in Kentucky.

Serious organizational difficulties are currently being experienced by the United Klans of America, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) in Mississippi. Several units or klaverns have turned in their charters and many have declined to contribute money to the State Office of UKA. Some current members of UKA have been in contact with JAMES R. VENABLE for the purpose of organizing units of NKKKK in the State of Mississippi. Some members are actively recruiting members for the NKKKK.

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[redacted] January 25, 1966)

[redacted] claims to have been commissioned Grand Dragon for the State of Mississippi for the NKKKK and claims to have had a charter granted to institute a new klavern in St. Louis, Missouri.

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PART B

INFORMATION RELATING TO STATE ACTIVITIES OR
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The NKKKK does not have a state organization in Georgia separate from the National Headquarters which is located at Tucker, Georgia.

[redacted] February 11, 1965)

II. KLAVERNS OR LOCAL CHAPTERS

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION
The NKKKK currently has units of that organization in Barnesville, Georgia, and Hartwell, Georgia. JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, has given [redacted] authority to organize for the NKKKK in Cobb County, Georgia, but it is not known if [redacted] has done so.

[redacted] July 9, 1965)
[redacted] July 16, 1965)
[redacted] October 6, 1965)

[redacted] is a former member of U. S. Klans, KKKK, Inc. (USK)

[redacted] June 14, 1965)

A characterization of USK is included in the appendix section of this report.

Estimated membership for the Barnesville, Georgia, Unit is 15.

[redacted] February 9, 1966)

Membership in the Hartwell, Georgia Unit is not known.

III. ACTIVITIES OF KLAVERNS OR LOCAL CHAPTERS

On August 30, 1965, members of the NKKKK, Barnesville, Georgia Unit, followed Lamar County School

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buses to determine if there was any integration of the Lamar County Schools. All of those who participated with one exception carried sidearms.

[redacted] September 8, 1965
October 7, 1965)

On October 5, 1965, members of the Barnesville, Georgia Unit of the NKKKK traveled to Crawfordville, Georgia, where Negro demonstrations were then taking place. All the members of the NKKKK wore sidearms and as the Negro demonstrators marched in the street the Klansmen played songs entitled, "NAACP Flight 105", "Alabama Story", "Ship Them Niggers Back", "Non-Violent Nigger", and "Los Angeles Riots".

[redacted] October 7, 1965)

In October, 1965, [redacted] a member of the Barnesville Unit of NKKKK stated that he is tired of non-violence and is getting ready to shoot someone. MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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On August 6, 1964, [redacted] furnished a signed statement to Special Agents of the FBI in which he stated that he was in a car with [redacted] and that [redacted] fired upon and killed a Negro male, later identified as LEMUEL A. PENN.

On April 12, 1965, [redacted] a former member of Clarke County Klavern Number 244, United Klans of America, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) was reinstated as a member of Vinegar Hill Klavern Number 53, UKA.

[redacted] April 12, 1965)

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On August 2, 1965, [redacted] of Vinegar Hill Klavern Number 53, UKA.

[redacted] August 2, 1965)

A characterization of UKA is included in the appendix of this report.

On October 2, 1965, JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK, stated that he considers the individuals running the Barnesville, Georgia Unit of the NKKKK to be a dangerous group of individuals and he indicated they may be prone to commit actions of violence.

[redacted] October 5, 1965)

On July 30, 1965, members of the NKKKK and the Vigilantes were contacted for instructions to go to Americus, Georgia, where Negro demonstrations were then taking place. On July 30, 1965, two cars containing seven members of the NKKKK left Barnesville, Georgia, presumably enroute Americus, Georgia.

[redacted] July 30, 1965)

A characterization of the Vigilantes is included in the appendix section of this report.

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CINCINNATI, OHIO DIVISION

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I. ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

A. Charter Information

On October 8, 1964 [redacted] of State's Office, Columbus, Ohio, advised public records from this office indicate a charter was granted the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the State of Ohio.

~~MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION~~

The incorporation papers were signed by FLYNN R. HARVEY, Columbus, Ohio, Grand Dragon; BOBBY J. STEPHENS, Grove City, Ohio, Trustee; and WILLIAM K. SMITH, Grove City, Ohio, Trustee.

[redacted] On October 23, 1964, [redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised that the NKKKK of Ohio, Inc. charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked on October 22, 1964.

On December 14, 1965, [redacted] advised as follows:

~~MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION~~

Since the date of charter revocation by the State of Ohio, one [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio (Warren County), has established himself as the self-appointed leader of the Klan in Ohio. [redacted] has been responsible for organizing several Klan rallies in Ohio during 1965 and claims affiliation with JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, NKKKK, Tucker, Georgia.

[redacted] of Columbus, Ohio, after proclaiming himself to be [redacted] of NKKKK during October, 1964, has cancelled his allegiance from this Klan to the United Klans of America (UKA). [redacted] made this switch during August, 1965. [redacted] has followed with similar action, also aligning himself with UKA. [redacted] within the past sixty days, has ceased to participate in any Klan activity, and is believed to have resigned his membership from NKKKK.

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[redacted] [redacted] added that friction developed between [redacted] and JAMES VENABLE as a result of VENABLE's participation in the Klan rally held on [redacted] farm at Oregonia, Ohio, during Memorial Day Weekend of 1965. [redacted] then broke away from NKKKK and aligned himself with UKA.

B. Headquarters and Klaverns

[redacted] has repeatedly advised on numerous occasions that the NKKKK has no Ohio headquarters or Klaverns in operation. [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, has held several small attended closed meetings at his farm in Oregonia, Ohio. These meetings were usually decided independently by [redacted] and were held mainly for personal financial gain of [redacted]

C. General Activities

On June 1, 1965, [redacted] advised as follows:

A Klan rally affiliated with NKKKK was held on the farm owned by [redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, during Memorial Day Weekend, 1965. JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, made two speeches during the rally attacking Communism in Government, Negroes, Jews, and President JOHNSON's governmental policy regarding civil and voting rights of Negroes. Approximately one hundred individuals filled out applications to join this Klan, and a lot of money was collected as initiation dues from individuals filling out Klan applications.

On June 28, 1965, [redacted] furnished the following information:

A secret Klan initiation ceremony took place on the farm owned by [redacted] at Oregonia, Ohio, June 27, 1965. Approximately 75 to 100 individuals were probably inducted into the Klan on this date. The induction rights were secret, being closed to the public and all news media. JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, and [redacted] presided over the ceremony.

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On November 6 and 9, 1965, [redacted] advised as follows:

The Klan rally, which was scheduled to be held near Dillsboro, Indiana, on November 6, 1965, did not take place as Dearborn County, Indiana, officials served a court order to JAMES R. VENABLE, which prohibited a gathering under an Indiana anti-hate law. As a result of this action, Klan officials who gathered to conduct this rally, which included [redacted] decided to transfer the rally site to [redacted] farm at Oregonia, Ohio.

During the p.m. of November 6, 1965, the rally was started, and approximately 100 individuals were in attendance. Those present consisted of members of the news media, interested onlookers, and Klansmen. JAMES R. VENABLE made a short speech during the rally expounding the Klan policy line, and was accompanied by [redacted] described as an old friend of VENABLE's. A cross was burned on the rally site; no violence took place.

On December 14, 1965, [redacted] advised as follows:

During the above meeting at [redacted] farm on December 12, 1965, [redacted] told everyone present that there were no additional plans for Klan meetings or rallies until after January 1, 1966, especially in view of the Klan hearings scheduled in Washington, D. C. during January, 1966. Also, JAMES R. VENABLE and [redacted] never made an appearance at the above meeting because they were in the Cleveland-Akron, Ohio, area on December 11 or 12, 1965, or both dates, on some type of Klan business.

D. Miscellaneous Information

The following investigation was conducted at Columbus, Ohio, on October 25, 1965, by SA [redacted]

[redacted] Ohio State Department, Corporation's Office, advised there is currently no

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incorporation papers on file for either the NKKKK or UKA.

[redacted] explained neither of these groups are presently incorporated as either profit or non-profit organizations.

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CLEVELAND OHIO DIVISION

CLEVELAND, OHIO, AREA

A. HEADQUARTERS

[redacted] advised on January 14, 1966, that as of this time there is no headquarters for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the Cleveland, Ohio, area.

B. STATE OFFICIALS

[redacted] advised on January 14, 1966, that none of the state officials of the NKKKK reside in the Cleveland area.

C. NUMBER OF KLAVERNS AND
MEMBERSHIP FIGURES

[redacted] advised on January 14, 1966, that it has been announced at meetings of Klavern #6, Cleveland, Ohio, that Klavern #6 has 75 members and that Klavern #7 in Akron, Ohio, also has 75 members.

D. PUBLIC RALLIES

NORMAN J. STUART, Sheriff, Medina County, Medina, Ohio, advised on August 21-22, 1965, that a NKKKK rally was held on August 21-22, 1965, at Brunswick Hills Township, Medina County, Ohio. Approximately 500 people were present at the peak of the rally. JAMES R. VENABLE, [redacted] spoke at the rally. [redacted] was at this rally. A twenty-five foot cross was burned.

NORMAN J. STUART advised on September 18-19, 1965, that the NKKKK held a rally at Lodi, Ohio, on September 18-19, 1965. Approximately 200 people were in attendance and a thirty-foot cross was burned. Two separate initiations of new Klan members were held. JAMES R. VENABLE, [redacted] were in attendance.

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CHARLES P. SPERBER, Chief of Police, Strongsville, Ohio, advised on October 18, 1965, that the NKKKK held a rally at Strongsville, Ohio, on October 17, 1965. [redacted] was observed at this rally. Approximately 200 people were observed at this rally.

E. MEETINGS

[redacted] advised on November 30, 1965, that on November 18, 1965, a closed NKKKK rally was held in Cleveland, Ohio, which was attended by [redacted] and approximately 53 others. Twenty-five individuals were initiated into the Klan. The purpose of the meeting was to establish a Klavern in Cleveland, Ohio.

[redacted] reported on November 30, 1965, that a meeting of Klavern #6 was held in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 28, 1965.

[redacted] reported in January, 1966, that meetings of Klavern #6 were held on December 11, 1965, and January 9 and 23, 1966.

F. FINANCES

[redacted] advised on January 10, 1966, that as of this date Klavern #6 has a bank balance in its account at The Cleveland Trust Company of \$105.95. This bank account is under the name "Educational Sportsmen's Fund."

G. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

[redacted] advised on January 14, 1966, that Klavern #6 as of this date has published no literature of its own.

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. State Headquarters

State Headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., (NKKKK) in North Carolina, is Post Office Box 1782, Wilson, North Carolina.

[redacted]

October 25, 1965)

B. State Officers MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Carolina, is [redacted] Wilson, North [redacted] Realm of North Carolina, of NKKKK.

[redacted]

September 30, 1965)

II. KLAVERNS

[redacted] claimed that five Klaverns had been established in North Carolina, including one at Wilson, North Carolina, and one at Raleigh, North Carolina.

[redacted]

September 19, 1965)

A. Raleigh

A meeting was held at Raleigh, North Carolina, on August 18, 1965, for the purpose of forming a unit of NKKKK. This meeting was attended by five individuals.

[redacted]

Meetings of the Raleigh Unit of NKKKK were held on August 25, September 1, September 8, September 15, September 29, October 20, and October 27, 1965. At the meeting on September 15, 1965, [redacted] was elected permanent [redacted]. At this MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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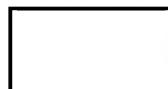
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same meeting, it was determined there are twelve members of the Raleigh unit.



B. Durham

[redacted] Durham, indicated an interest in joining the NKKKK and created a Klavern at Durham. However, he was told by [redacted] to hold off until after the House Committee on Un-American Activities hearings.



November 19, 1965)

[redacted] have furnished no information concerning the existence of NKKKK Klaverns at Wilson, North Carolina, or locations other than those mentioned above.

III. FINANCES

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On October 25, 1965, it was learned that the following policies with regard to finances have been established by [redacted]. When a public rally is held, all money taken up will remain with the Klavern sponsoring the rally.

All dues with exception of \$10.00 of the initiation fee will remain with the Klavern. Of each \$10.00 sent to the State Office, the National Office will be sent \$2.50.



IV. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

[redacted] has been seeking a printer and indicated that the NKKKK would need applications, rally schedules, membership cards, and other materials. It was learned that [redacted] was in the process of mailing one thousand letters to merchants in the

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vicinity of Wilson, North Carolina, known to be sympathetic toward the Klan.

[redacted] September 30, 1965)

On October 25, 1965, a leaflet captioned "Thanksgiving ???", published by the NKKKK showing the State Office at Wilson, North Carolina, revealed the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was founded on Thanksgiving Day in 1915. The leaflet urged that contributions be sent to the Klan to insure "our children have a free Thanksgiving Day fifty years from now."



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[redacted] advised the Centre, Alabama Klavern of the NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. is the only known unit of this organization in northern Alabama. Its membership is composed of approximately ten to 15 members. This klavern has been in existence since withdrawing from the UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, in July, 1965, uniting with the national organization.

[redacted] advised there has been only one rally held by this organization known to him at Cedar Bluff, Alabama, on October 30, 1965.

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NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

I. There are no known state headquarters or state officials of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), in Louisiana.

II. At the present time there are two known Klaverns in the State of Louisiana; one located in Shreveport, Louisiana, with a membership of approximately eighteen members; one located in Coushatta, Louisiana, membership at the present time is unknown.

III a. Organization

The Klavern meetings in Shreveport, Louisiana, are disorganized and irregular.

b. Financing

There is no bank account maintained by the Shreveport Klavern. Dues are collected irregularly and the funds amounting from \$85 to \$100 are maintained by [redacted] at the Pick-Nick Store on Southern Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana, which is owned and operated by CHRISTMAS.

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c. & d. Publications Propaganda

The NKKKK has no publication within the State and is not known to have distributed any literature within the State.

IV. Rallies

One out-door public rally, July 17, 1965.

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INDIANA

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised on January 29, 1966 that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan does not have a State Headquarters at the present time.

[redacted] stated that any instructions to the membership are given by [redacted] of Oregonia, Ohio through a member.

[redacted] described [redacted] as the organizer of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Ohio.

[redacted] further advised that no attempt will be made to organize the State of Indiana until [redacted] makes his appearance before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

[redacted] advised the only activity that took place in the State of Indiana was a rally held at Dillsboro, Indiana on November 6, 1965. The rally was stopped by the issuance of a Dearborn County Court order.

[redacted] advised no further attempts will be made to distribute literature or hold rallies until the court order is tested. The court order was obtained under the 1947 Indiana Hate Statute.

[redacted] advised plans are in the making to hire an attorney to test the law.

[redacted] advised that membership at the present time is limited to two individuals; there are at least six applications awaiting action.

[redacted] felt that no action would be taken on these applications until after [redacted] appearance before the House Committee on Un-American Activities.

[redacted] further advised there are no funds available in Indiana as all applications, along with the dues and fees, went to [redacted] in Oregonia, Ohio.

[redacted] advised no attempt has been made by [redacted] to make any of these funds available.

[redacted] stated no publications or propaganda has been issued in Indiana.

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THE UNITED FLORIDA KU KLUX KLAN

A characterization of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK) is contained in the appendix attached hereto.

[REDACTED] Samsula, Florida, Grand Dragon of the UFKKK, along with [REDACTED] of Tallahassee, Florida, and [REDACTED] of the Samsula area, represented the UFKKK at a Meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKKK), held at Tucker, Georgia on January 23 and 24, 1965.

[REDACTED] 1/27/65.)

[REDACTED] and another UFKKK Klansman from Jacksonville, Florida, were reported to be in attendance at a NKKKK, Inc., Meeting held at Tucker, Georgia, on April 10 and 11, 1965.

[REDACTED] 4/12/65.)

At a State Officer's Meeting of the UFKKK held at Orlando, Florida, on July 18, 1965, the Klabee indicated to those present that he pays out \$10 each month to the NKKKK, Inc., so that the UFKKK can participate in National Klan Meetings.

[REDACTED] 7/22/65.)

A NKKKK, Inc., sponsored rally held at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on September 4, 1965, was attended by approximately 30 members of the UFKKK from the Central Florida area, most of these being among the robed Klansmen and Klanswomen, who marched during the affair.

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9/7/65.)
9/10/65.)

At a National Meeting of the NKKKK, Inc., held at Tucker, Georgia on September 5, 1965, the UFKKK was

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represented by [redacted] and three other individuals from the north Florida area.

[redacted] 9/7/65.)

[redacted] has advised that headquarters of the UFKKK is located at the home of [redacted] in Samsula, Florida, and that the following listed individuals are State Officers of this organization:

[redacted]

Investigation has revealed that Klaverns of the UFKKK are presently operating at Apopka, Auburndale, Lakeland; Dade City, Green Cove Springs, Haines City, Jacksonville (five klaverns), Lake Wales, MacCleenny, Oak Hill, Orlando, Plant City, St. Augustine, Samsula, Sebring, and Tampa, Florida and that these Klaverns are composed of a total of approximately 400 members who participate to any degree in Klan activities.

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UNITED FLORIDA KU KLUX KLAN (UFKKK)
JACKSONVILLE DIVISION

1. Klaverns and Membership

[redacted] advised on January 13, 1966, and on January 14, 1966, respectively, that there are nine klaverns of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK) in existence in the area of Florida covered by the Jacksonville Office, with a total membership of approximately 120 members.

[redacted] advised on October 11, 1965, that attempts are underway to organize a klavern of the UFKKK at Branford, Florida. [redacted] advised on January 13, 1966, that this group is still not holding regular meetings.

2. Finances

Informants have been unable to furnish information concerning the exact financial status of any klavern in the Jacksonville Division.

[redacted] advised on November 1, 1965, that at a klavern meeting of Jacksonville Klavern Number 502, UFKKK, held on October 29, 1965, the Exalted Cyclops announced that \$2,500.00 had been received from the sale of property owned by the klavern.

[redacted] advised on November 1, 1965 that there was probably not over \$100.00 in [redacted] Klavern Number 506, Jacksonville, Florida.

[redacted] advised on November 5, 1965, that [redacted] Klavern Number [redacted] UFKKK, had a balance of approximately \$385.00 in the building fund and approximately \$40.00 in a special fund.

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3. Rallies

[redacted] advised on August 14, 1965, that a rally was held at Jacksonville, Florida, on August 14, 1965, with between 300 and 400 people in attendance.

[redacted] advised on December 9, 1965, that a rally was held at Green Cove Springs, Florida, on November 27, 1965, with an attendance of approximately 150 individuals.

[redacted] advised on October 11, 1965, that a klan rally was held at Branford, Florida, on October 9, 1965. About 300 individuals attended this rally.

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4. Publications and Propaganda

Informants have not furnished any information concerning any publications or propaganda distributed by klaverns of the UFKKK in the Jacksonville Division during the past period.

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ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA KLANS

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AT : Savannah, Ga.
NAME: SA [redacted]

ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA KLANS

A characterization of the Association of Georgia Klans is attached hereto in the appendix of this report.

I. STATE HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the Association of Georgia Klans is Post Office Box 41, Bloomingdale, Georgia, the mailing address of [redacted] of Klavern # 2A, Savannah, Georgia, the only active klavern of this group in 1965. The headquarters has no building nor office space.

[redacted]
 [redacted] and the other national officers are known as the Imperial Family. There was no known meeting of the Imperial Family in 1965.

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II. KLAVERNS

A. Klavern # 2A,
 Savannah, Georgia.

1. Location

This klavern met every Friday night at the Odd Fellows Hall, Savannah, Georgia, from January 7, 1965, to April 23, 1965, and held one meeting in a booth at the WHITE HOUSE RESTAURANT, Savannah, Georgia, on April 29, 1965. The attendance ranged from two to five, averaging about three.

There have been no meetings of this klavern since April 29, 1965.

[redacted] 4/29/65;
 1/27/66)

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2. Membership and Recruiting Activities

Fewer than ten (10) members had obtained 1965 membership cards.

[redacted] 2/15/65)

3. Officers

There was no election of officers to serve for the Year 1965.

[redacted] 1/11/65)

4. Meetings

Information relating to meetings held by this organization is set out above under "Location."

[redacted] At a meeting on February 12, 1965, suggested they find a place where they can meet on Saturday nights where they can have a social gathering and play cards or do something else to enjoy the evening, and they would forget about their Friday night meetings.

[redacted] 2/15/65)

[redacted] At a meeting on February 26, 1965, [redacted] turned the records and some \$50 that was in [redacted] over to [redacted] indicating he no longer had time to devote to Klan matters since he was working out of town.

[redacted] 3/1/65)

On October 8, 1965, [redacted] held a meeting in [redacted] Bloomingdale, Georgia, attended by nine (9) individuals who had been members of the Association of Georgia Klans, for the purpose of determining what could be done to re-activate the Association of Georgia Klans.

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It was decided that each of those in attendance would attempt to recruit their own followers. Each would meet with their followers, once weekly, at a time and place to be decided by the leader and his group. None of the groups would know of the activities or identities of the other groups except that, once a month, all members of the Klavern who wished to would meet together in a klavern meeting.

[redacted] 10/12/65)

[redacted] Subsequent meetings were called by [redacted] on October 16 and 23, 1965, but only two or three showed up at each meeting, including [redacted] and nothing further developed on this plan.

[redacted] 11/2/65)

5. Finances

[redacted] At the meeting on February 26, 1965, turned [redacted] consisting of some \$50, over to [redacted] but kept the recreation fund, which consisted of \$34 and some cents, accumulated by collections taken up at the regular meetings.

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6. Public Rallies or Demonstrations

None.

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ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA KLANS
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

P. O. Box 63
West Columbia, South Carolina

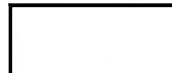
The state meetings are held at the Skyline Club near the Columbia Airport in West Columbia, South Carolina, the regular meeting place of Klavern #335.

B. Charter Information

The Association of South Carolina Klans (ASCK) is not chartered in the state of South Carolina.

C. Objectives

[redacted] of ASCK. He is an avid segregationist, but opposes any type of violence. He has stated that any klansman participating in any type of violence does so on his own and will receive no help from the klan. He has stated the only way to fight for segregation is at the ballot box.



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D. National and State Officers

There are no national officers of ASCK as this is an independent operating organization. On February 14, 1965, the members of ASCK voted against having a Grand Dragon for the entire United States. The organization is controlled by the Grand Council. The following are members of the Grand Council:



Memorandum of Association of [redacted] dated 6/24/64)

of Klaverns or Local Chapters

II. KLAVERNS OR LOCAL CHAPTERS

There are 13 klaverns or local chapters of ASCK which are all known to have been in existence in South Carolina during 1964 and 1965.

III. ACTIVITIES OF KLAVERNS

During 1965, five public rallies sponsored by ASCK were held in the state of South Carolina.

IV. FINANCES

On March 27, 1965, the treasury of the ASCK had about \$150. The amount in the treasury usually varies between \$100 and \$200.

[redacted] 3/27/65)

V. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

The ASCK is not known to have any regular publication or general distribution.

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IMPROVED ORDER OF U. S. KLANS,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

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IMPROVED ORDER OF THE U. S. KLANS,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters

On October 5, 1965, [redacted] Heiberger, Alabama, advised the Imperial Wizard and only national officers of the Improved Order of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (IOUSK), is [redacted] who resides in Lithonia, Georgia. The headquarters is maintained at the home of [redacted] Lithonia, Georgia.

B. Charter Information

The IOUSK was granted charter in Dekalb County, Georgia, Superior Court, on November 7, 1963.

C. Objectives

The aims and objectives of IOUSK are promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

[redacted] 2/4/64)

D. National and State Officers

[redacted] advised on October 5, 1965, that [redacted] is the Imperial Wizard of the IOUSK and he, [redacted] for the state of Alabama.

II. KLAVERNS OR LOCAL CHAPTERS

The only active klavern of the IOUSK is at Heiberger, Alabama, and this klavern has approximately 22 members.

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III. ACTIVITIES OF KLAVERNS

The Heiberger, Alabama, klavern meets irregularly and the members of this klavern have engaged in no activities except fish fries and barbecues.

[redacted] 10/27/65)

IV. FINANCES

There is no information available concerning current finances of this organization.

In August, 1965, the treasury of IOUSK had approximately \$62.80.

[redacted] 8/17/65)

V. PUBLICATIONS AND PROPAGANDA

There are no known publications issued by the IOUSK.

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APPENDIXASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA KLANS (AGK)
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A source advised on January 11, 1961, that the AGK, KKKK, was organized by [redacted] in the Spring of 1960, with mailing address of Post Office Box 41, Bloomingdale, Georgia. This source stated that AGK, KKKK, is a new organization and is not affiliated in any way with the old Association of Georgia Klans which is defunct. It is patterned after the U. S. Klans, has the same general ritual and has the same titles for its Klavern officers. Most officers and members are former members of the U. S. Klans. The announced purposes of this organization are to promote white supremacy and to fight integration and Communism by peaceful means, and it is opposed to any type of violence. This source said AGK, KKKK, is affiliated with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

This same source advised on August 11, 1965, that this Klan group continues to operate with the same aims and purposes and is localized in the area of Bloomingdale and Savannah, Georgia. It continues to be affiliated with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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IMPROVED ORDER OF THE U. S. KLANS,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(IMPROVED ORDER OF THE U. S. KLANS)

Improved Order of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., was chartered in DeKalb County, Georgia, on November 7, 1963, as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order." A source advised on October 28, 1963, that the organization was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. The source reported that the new organization is [redacted]

[redacted] who was formerly [redacted] of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. The same source advised in May and July, 1965, that the Improved Order of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., has only two units, both of which are located in Alabama.

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U. S. KLANS, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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A source advised on October 12, 1956, that [redacted] [redacted] a new Klan group in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1953. This organization received a corporate charter in Georgia in October, 1955, under the name U. S. Klans. The same source, and [redacted] source, advised in May, 1960, that U. S. Klans has no direct affiliation with any previous Klan group, but utilizes, with only minor changes, the Klan Kloran or ritual written in about 1915 by WILLIAM JOSEPH SIMMONS for use by the Old Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (1915-1944).

These sources advised that the U. S. Klans has as its principal aims and objectives the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races. On numerous occasions [redacted] announced that these objectives would be obtained by legal means, and without violence.

[redacted] source and [redacted] source advised in February, 1961, that at that time a split occurred in U. S. Klans, which resulted in a great majority of the officers and members pulling out and forming a new Klan group.

[redacted] source advised in October, 1963, that U. S. Klans had suffered another split and that most of the members had pulled out and formed a new Klan group.

[redacted] source advised in August, 1964, that U. S. Klans is now a very small organization [redacted] and maintaining a headquarters at 112½ West Harvard Avenue, College Park, Georgia.

In June, 1965, the Sheriff of Clayton County, Georgia, advised that [redacted] was then confined in a hospital for alcoholics and while in jail prior to such commitment, [redacted] told the sheriff that U. S. Klans has gone out of existence.

Also in June, 1965, the Chief of Police of Clayton County, Jonesboro, Georgia, advised he was told by [redacted] that U. S. Klans is out of existence.

[redacted] source advised in June, 1965, that a former member of U. S. Klans said the organization is dead. [redacted] source referred to above advised in August, 1965, that U. S. Klans is now out of existence.

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VIGILANTES
LAMAR COUNTY,
GEORGIA

A source advised on July 28, 1964, a hate type organization had been formed in Lamar County, Georgia, known as the Vigilantes. Source advised the Vigilantes' leadership was composed of former Klansmen, some of whom had been arrested in Griffin, Georgia, on April 25, 1964, in possession of numerous firearms.

On April 25, 1964, five men subsequently identified as members of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, burned a cross in downtown Griffin, Georgia, and while the cross was being set up, weapons were pointed at persons standing on the street. These persons were arrested by the Griffin, Georgia, Police Department.

Source advised the Vigilantes advocate the use of violence and are opposed to integration in any form. Source advises the leaders of the Vigilantes instruct members to purchase weapons and ammunition.

On September 3, 1964, source advised the Vigilantes, after substantial decrease in membership, advocated the approach that the Bible upholds their views on segregation. Source advised members meet in a church owned by the family of four of the members.



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Atlanta, Georgia
February 14, 1966

Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted]
[redacted] at Atlanta,
Georgia, dated February 14,
1966, and captioned as above.

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FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (Per)SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM - KLAN

Re Cleveland airtel 1/31/66.

The following individuals were contacted with police agencies in the Dayton, Ohio area by SA [redacted] concerning the reported shooting made by [redacted] NKKKK [redacted] which was made in Cleveland, Ohio, on January 23, 1966, concerning a shoot out by an off duty policeman in the Dayton area and an Ohio Klansman. All of the individuals contacted advised that they knew of no "shoot outs" by off duty policemen in the Dayton area in at least the past six months. They stated that they knew of no incident which might fit the one described by [redacted] to have happened at all.

[redacted] Dayton PD, Personnel Section;
 [redacted] Personnel Section, Dayton PD;

Chief of Police JOHN R. SHYROCK, Kettering, Ohio;

[redacted] Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Dayton, Ohio.

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2-Atlanta (Info) (157-60)

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On 2/10/66, [redacted] a source in the Dayton, Ohio area and on 2/15/66, [redacted], a probationary racial informant in Dayton, Ohio, who is a member of the NKKKK, both advised SA [redacted] on the above dates that they knew of no incident in the Dayton, Ohio area that would fit the description of the one by [redacted] mentioned above. No further inquiry is being made or action taken regarding this matter in Cincinnati. It is believed that [redacted] was undoubtedly not truthful in his relating this incident to Klansmen in the Cleveland area.

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To: Director, FBI ATTENTION DATE 5-17-64
From: SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-457) (P) CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
Subject: NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN, NEW CASTLE, PA. DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

Summary of Complaint:

Remyairtel dated 1/24/66 and Buairtel dated 2/2/66,
copies to Cleveland and Atlanta.

One copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished to Atlanta, Cleveland, United States Secret Service, Pittsburgh, Pa., G-2, Pittsburgh, OSI, Pittsburgh, Pa., and ONI, Philadelphia, Pa.

1-Bureau (Encl. 8) 1cc detached by
1-Atlanta (Encl. 1) (Info) Klan Unit
1-Cleveland (Encl. 1) (Info)
2-Pittsburgh

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HOW FORW:

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ACTION: USE BY: 10/07/2024 **BY:** ✓ No further action taken

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LHM being submitted

Report being submitted

Preliminary investigation instituted

Preliminary investigation instituted
 Limited investigation instituted

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~~Special Agent in Charge~~

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Investigation conducted by SA [redacted]

Source mentioned in LHM is [redacted], whose identity is concealed
due to his [redacted]

[redacted] It is noted that the credit and arrest inquiries
re [redacted] were made on 11/1/65, in connection with the
Probationary Racial Informant case, which had been open since
[redacted] but which has now been closed due to [redacted]
apparent psychiatric tendencies. Since these inquiries pre-
dated this investigation, the specific dates of same have
not been set out.

[redacted] Not a FOIA exemption

This matter is being followed.

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February 14, 1966

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NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN DATE 8:23:88 BY SP84968
NEW CASTLE, PA.

On January 19, 1966, the following advertisement appeared in the "Personals" column of the "New Castle News," New Castle, Pa.:

"Join the National Ku Klux Klan, P. O. Box 653, New Castle, Pa., 16103, Thomas J. Mitchell, 337 E. Washington St."

Inquiry at the "New Castle News," on January 19, 1966, determined that Thomas J. Mitchell, above address, arranged for the above advertisement with the "New Castle News" and same was prepaid for a period of three days. A source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 19, 1966, that Mitchell subscribed to Post Office Box 653, at the United States Post Office, New Castle.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New Castle, New Castle, Pa., reflect that Mitchell [redacted]. He has no previous record at the New Castle Police Department.

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On January 22, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted], New Castle, voluntarily appeared at the Federal Bureau of Investigation Office at New Castle, stating that they desired to discuss the advertisement which Mitchell admitted having placed in the above newspaper. Mitchell said that although he had prepaid the advertisement, he had notified

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NEW CASTLE, PA.

the newspaper office to discontinue same after it appeared in the newspaper on January 19, 1966. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell appeared emotionally upset during the interview and at times, Mitchell broke down and wept. He stated that he realized that he was suffering from mental depressions and shortcomings, and he displayed razor-slash scars on both wrists, which he said were the result of suicide attempts while serving in the U. S. Air Force from October 19, 1961, to August 10, 1964. Mitchell stated that he is presently receiving \$240 per month compensation from the United States Government, which represents 100% disability following his honorable discharge from the U. S. Air Force for psychiatric reasons.

Mitchell admitted that he has been a subscriber to "The Thunderbolt," and that he had directed letters to that publication in the past, setting forth his opinions regarding racial matters and problems.

"The Thunderbolt" is described in the characterization of the National States Rights Party in the Appendix hereto.

Mitchell volunteered that he became "disillusioned" over alleged "white supremacy" while serving with the U. S. Air Force in Germany and had since become interested in the Ku Klux Klan and other "hate organizations"; however, he stated that he has since realized the fallacies of the policies of these organizations and is going to disassociate himself immediately from them altogether. Mrs. Mitchell stated that she had never agreed with her husband's former beliefs in this regard and felt that he was on the verge of another mental breakdown.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell stated that they planned to depart from New Castle, where both were reared, during February, 1966, for Youngstown, Ohio, where they will reside and seek employment. Mitchell stated that he planned to discontinue any contact with "hate organizations" in the future.

Mitchell concluded that he knew of no other Klan sympathizers in the New Castle area and that he had never held or attended any Klan meetings.

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Mr. Sullivan _____
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Mr. Trotter _____
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Miss Gandy _____

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1039PM EST URGENT 3-11-66 JDW

TO DIRECTOR /157-168/ AND CINCINNATI /157-245/
FROM ATLANTA /157-60/

NKKKK, RM - KLAN.

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DATE 8-23-08 BY SP/Platzer

RE CINCINNATI TEL TO DIRECTOR THIS DATE.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED TODAY THAT AS OF YESTERDAY
PLANS WERE TO PICKET THE SCHOOL AS INDICATED IN RE TEL. JAMES
R. VENABLE TRIED TO DISCOURAGE PICKETING BUT BELIEVED HE WAS
UNSUCCESSFUL AND SOURCE BELIEVES SUCH PICKETING IS PLANNED FOR
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12:53 PM EST URGENT 3/11/66 MJV

TO DIRECTOR (157-168), ATLANTA, CLEVELAND (157-441)
FROM CINCINNATI (157-245)

NKKKK, RM - KLAN

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TODAY [REDACTED] (PROB) ADVISED OHIO FACTION KLAN PLANS PICKETING KETTERING, OHIO, SCHOOL BOARD, DAYTON, OHIO, AM, MARCH TWELVE, NEXT. KLANSMEN EXPECTED TO MAKE APPEARANCE FROM VARIOUS OHIO CITIES, PICKETING ORGANIZED BY [REDACTED] SELF ADMITTED OHIO KLAN RECRUITER. APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN TO TWENTY INDIVIDUALS EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE.

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PURPOSE PICKETING TO EXHIBIT DISAGREEMENT WITH SCHOOL BOARD DECISION ALLOWING LEFT WING SPEAKERS MAKE SPEECHES, BUT DISALLOWING SPEECHES BY RIGHT WING SPEAKERS. KLAN OF BELIEF THIS IS DISCRIMINATING PRACTICE. ORDERLY PICKETING EXPECTED. LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES ALERTED. ADEQUATE COVERAGE BEING AFFORDED. INFORMANT
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ATLANTA AND CLEVELAND ALERT SOURCES AND ADVISE ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED.

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FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) 1P

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THE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK) RACIAL
MATTER (ORGANIZATION)

RE MY TELETYPE, MARCH ELEVEN, LAST.

PICKET BY CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION SCHEDULED FOR MARCH
TWELVE NINETEEN SIXTY-SIX AT KETTERING, OHIO, BOARD OF
EDUCATION MENTIONED IN RETEL DID NOT TAKE PLACE. CINCINNATI
INFORMANT WILL FOLLOW FUTURE ACTION.

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN, INCORPORATED
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Re Cincinnati teletype to Bureau, dated 3/12/66.

During P.M., 3/12/66 [redacted] (Prob) advised as follows:

The scheduled picketing by above Klan group at Dayton, Ohio, was abruptly canceled today because of inclement weather. Approximately 15 Klansmen were on hand at Dayton, Ohio, several from the Cleveland, Ohio area, positive identities unknown at the present time.

In view of cancellation of this Klan picketing, [redacted] self-admitted recruiter for Klan in Ohio, indicated the picketing will be rescheduled for 3/19/66, at Dayton, Ohio.

- ③ - Bureau (RM) (157-168)
- 2 - Atlanta (RM)
- 1 - Cleveland (RM) (Info)
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 FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-2934) (RUC)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN
 RM (ORGANIZATION)
 (OO: ATLANTA)

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Re Jackson airtel to Director 2/8/66; report
 of SA [redacted] dated 2/14/66 at Atlanta.

Enclosed herewith are 8 copies for the Bureau
 and two for Origin of an LHM reflecting information
 regarding the attempt to organize captioned organization
 in Mississippi.

Inasmuch as contact with sources within the
 State of Mississippi, have failed to uncover information
 other than that recorded herein, Jackson Division is
 designating as RUC, but will immediately report any further
 attempts to organize, should they occur.

The confidential sources mentioned herein are
 [redacted] respectively REC-81 157-168-567

- ③ - Bureau (157-168) (Enc. 8) ~~ENCLOSURE~~ EX-105 MAR 16 1966
- 2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) (157-60) (RM) EX-105
- 3 - Jackson (157-2934) 1cc detached by Klan Unit

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)

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A confidential source advised on January 31, 1966, that throughout the state, no apparent interest resulted in the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan after the partial break-up of the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA, Inc.) in Mississippi. Source stated that those discontent with the UKA, Inc. have reorganized and attempts are being made to reunite disgruntled UKA, Inc. members into the Knights of the Green Forest or United White Conservatives, with no mention of any plans to pursue affiliation with the Georgia based National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

An additional confidential source in the Meridian Mississippi area advised on February 27, 1966, that [redacted] had attempted to contact individuals in the Meridian area with thoughts of affiliating with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Source advised that [redacted] had advised that he had given up such plans when in attempting to hold an organizational meeting, only a few were present who expressed an interest, and also that [redacted] had learned that his plans were no longer secret, but were publicly known to authorities, and he has chosen to abandon all attempts to organize this organization.

As of March 8, 1966, no additional reports of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan affiliations have been indicated within the State.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached hereto.

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March 14, 1966

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TITLE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

CHARACTER: RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)

REFERENCE: Letterhead memorandum of
Special Agent [redacted]
[redacted] dated March 14, 1966,
at Jackson.

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FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
SUBJECT: () NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN, Inc.
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
(OO: ATLANTA)

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On 3/14/66, [redacted] (Prob) furnished the following information:

Recent information has been developed that a Klavern has been established in the Dayton, Ohio area. The number of the Klavern is currently unknown as are the financial aspects. [redacted] for this Klan in Ohio, is the driving force behind this Klavern. [redacted]
[redacted] Dayton, Ohio, has been appointed [redacted]
[redacted] is the number two man. There are approximately 15 individuals residing in and around the Dayton, Ohio area, who have been known to attend at least two meetings in the past. These two meetings have been held at the residence of [redacted]
Dayton, Ohio.

of 546, L. T. Johnson et al.
This Klavern is currently in the early stages of being organized and no definite place for holding meetings has been set up as yet.

③ - Bureau (RM)
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Cincinnati is closely following through contact with logical sources.

LEADS

CINCINNATI DIVISION

AT DAYTON, OHIO (SA JUDAY)

Through contact with logical sources, develop complete information re organization of above Klavern.

Advise and alert appropriate local law enforcement authorities.

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

Follow above with [redacted] (Prob) and report pertinent developments.

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ZPM EST URGENT 3/19/66 JMB *TELETYPE*

TO DIRECTOR (157-168)

FROM CINCINNATI (157-245)

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP-2

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN - RACIAL MATTERS

RE CINCINNATI AIRTEL MARCH SIXTEEN, LAST.

SCHEDULED PICKETING BY CAPTIONED KLAN GROUP AT BOARD OF EDUCATION, KETTERING, OHIO, TOOK PLACE THIS DATE APPROXIMATELY NOON TO ONE PM. APPROXIMATELY THIRTY PERSONS PICKETED ON THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING. ABOUT TWENTY WORE WHITE ROBES. SOME WERE CARRYING PLACARDS URGING JOINING OF KKK AND OTHERS CRITICAL OF SCHOOL POLICIES. ABOUT FOUR OF PICKETS WERE WOMEN. ONE CARRIED AMERICAN FLAG AND MANY CARRIED CONFEDERATE FLAG. THE PICKETING WAS ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS TOOK PLACE.

END FOLLOWS.

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3 MAR 21 1966

cc: KKK

Klan in Cincinnati 3/16/66
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TO DIRECTOR (157-168) ATLANTA (157-60) AND CLEVELAND
FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) P

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN - RACIAL MATTER - KLAN 00*ATLANTb7D

TODAY [REDACTED] OPROB) ADVISED KLAN PICKETING
KETTERING SCHOOL BOARD, DAYTON, OHIO, SCHEDULED MARCH NINETEEN
NEXT. PICKETING EXPECTED TO BE PEACEFUL. ONE ZERO NINTH INTC
GROUP, CINCINNATI, AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES ADVISED
AND ALERTED. ADEQUATE COVERAGE AFFORDED.

SOURCE FOLLOWING.

LHM SUBMITTED TODAY.

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AT... MRB

FBI ATLANTA

CV...PEF

FBI CLEVELND

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157-168-570

10 MAR 22 1966

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Date: 3/16/66

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Mr. Tolson
 Mr. DeLoach
 Mr. Mohr
 Mr. [initials] ✓
 Mr. Casper
 Ms. Callahan
 Mr. Conrad
 Mr. Felt
 Mr. Gale
 Mr. [initials] ✓
 Mr. Sullivan
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WBS

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
 KLUX KLAN
 RM - KLAN
 (OO: Atlanta)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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 DATE 8-23-08 BY SP8475

Today, anonymous information received by the Cincinnati FBI Office that three individuals (later described below) who are either Klansmen or are strongly sympathetic to the Klan, were overheard discussing possibility of taking the following action:

OK 10
 AL SCHOTTELKOTTE, local Cincinnati television personality and leading newscaster, WCPQ, Channel 9, has been a "thorn inside" against the Klan and at every chance gives out bad publicity to turn the public opinion against the Klan.

The three men involved are considering following Mr. SCHEOTTELKOTTE on his way home after his late night TV newscast and establish his pattern of movement. At the right time they will confront him and "work him over" for his actions against the Klan.

3-Bureau (RM)
 1-Atlanta (Info) (RM)
 5-Cincinnati (1-157-245)

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 Approved: *[Signature]*
 69 MAR 31 1966 Special Agent in Charge

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3 [REDACTED] Cincinnati, Ohio - Cincinnati informants have also identified [REDACTED] as being either a Klan member or strongly sympathetic to the Klan, being in the same category with [REDACTED]. Background investigation conducted concerning [REDACTED]

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In contact with Mr. SCHOETTELKOTTE, he strongly indicated that he was aware of the background and activity of above three men.

UACB, Cincinnati will take no further action concerning this matter.

CI 157-245

These men are usually under the influence of alcohol when they get together and continually have some type of gripe against some person or organization.

[redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio PD was immediately furnished complete details of above. He requested that the Cincinnati FBI Office contact Mr. SCHOETTELKOTTE and apprise him of this situation and request that Mr. SCHOETTELKOTTE contact [redacted] if agreeable with Cincinnati PD affording him appropriate coverage. [redacted] pointed out that many individuals do not desire police coverage under circumstances such as these, and this was the reason for this request.

This same date, AL SCHOETTELKOTTE was appropriately apprised of full details concerning this matter. He expressed gratitude and appreciation to the Cincinnati FBI Office and stated he would immediately comply with [redacted] request to afford him coverage and would be agreeable to being afforded appropriate coverage by the Cincinnati PD.

The identity of the three individuals involved are:

1. [redacted] residence Mason, Ohio - [redacted] is known to the Cincinnati FBI Office and local sources have identified him as being a member of above Klan group. Informants describe him as being quite a heavy drinker, a braggart and has been in trouble with law enforcement authorities in the past. A background investigation has been conducted concerning [redacted] by the Cincinnati Office.

2. [redacted] Forest Park, Ohio - Cincinnati informants identified [redacted] as being a Klan member who drinks heavily on occasion and strongly dislikes Negroes. [redacted] also is known to the Cincinnati FBI Office and a background investigation has been conducted concerning him.

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Date: 3/15/66

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-~~225~~)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka
RM (KLAN)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-22-88 BY SP8/KY/jch

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of [redacted]
letterhead memorandum concerning statements made by [redacted]
Hinton, W. Va., to the effect that a rally of the
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will be held in
Southern West Virginia in late April or early May, 1966. One
copy of same furnished to Atlanta, Office of Origin in
captioned case. One copy of letterhead memorandum also fur-
nished to G-2, Pittsburgh, ONI, Norfolk, and OSI, Pittsburgh.

It is noted that in the past [redacted] has been
given to gross exaggerations and that he has been described
as emotionally unstable. Matter being followed.

Information was obtained from Associated Press
releases appearing in the "Bluefield Daily Telegraph,
Bluefield, W. Va., newspaper, on 3/9/66, and 3/10/66.

- ③ - Bureau (157-168) (Enc. 8) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (157-66) (RM)
- 5 - Pittsburgh

(100-100-5299) (Christian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan)

JJR:sm [redacted]

1cc detached by
Klan Unit

ENCLOSURE
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DEPT ISD, CRD

DATE FORW: 3-21-66

HOW FORW: R/S

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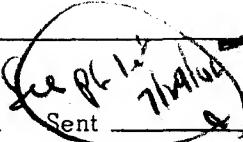
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
March 15, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-22-08 BY SBL/zyj/jch

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

According to a news item, captioned "Klan Plans April Rally in Mercer," which appeared in the "Bluefield Daily Telegraph," Bluefield, W. Va., on March 9, 1966, W. E. Houchins, Hinton, W. Va., identified as head of the West Virginia-Virginia chapter of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, stated that plans had been made to stage a rally somewhere between Bluefield and Princeton, W. Va., late in April, 1966. Houchins said that 10,000 persons were expected to attend, including grand dragons from five states. He said that he was seeking a site for the rally.

Another article appeared in the "Bluefield Daily Telegraph," on March 10, 1966, under the caption, "Klan Can't Find Suitable Pasture in Area for Its Planned Rally." This article stated that West Virginia's Ku Klux Klan"was having trouble finding an available "cow pasture" which would accommodate 10,000 klansmen. Houchins, mentioned above, stated that he had "run into a real problem" in that he had made dozens of telephone calls and had driven about 300 miles and had been unable to locate a site for the proposed rally. He said that the rally would be held in late April or early May, 1966. Houchins allegedly stated that his klan group did not hold a charter at present but indicated that he would apply for one within the next three weeks.

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Date: 3/22/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168) *ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8-23-88 BY [redacted]*

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)
(OO: ATLANTA)

Re Cincinnati airtel and LHM dated 3/16/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a LHM concerning the picket scheduled by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan for 3/19/66 at the Kettering, Ohio Board of Education Building at 3490 Far Hills, Kettering, Ohio which took place as scheduled. Enclosed for Atlanta and Cleveland are two copies of LHM.

The picketing was observed by SA [redacted]
The source in the Kettering, Ohio PD is Chief of Police JOHN R. SHRYOCK..

Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally to 109th INTC Group, Secret Service, AUSA in Dayton, Ohio.

On 3/21/66, [redacted] furnished information concerning this matter to SA [redacted] Cleveland FBI Office. It should be noted that SA [redacted] telephonically furnished information received from this informant to SA [redacted] Cincinnati FBI Office.

3 - Bureau (Enc.8) (RM)
2 - Atlanta (Enc.2) (157-60) (RM)

2 - Cleveland (Enc.2) (RM)

3 - Cincinnati (2-157-245) (1-157-504)

RMJ/gnb *1cc detached by*

(10) Klan Unit

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DEPT ISD: CRD

157-168-573

DATE FORW: 3-25-66 MAR 25 1966

HOW FORW:

Sent *[Signature]* M PerApproved: *Nick [Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 22, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP/aj/bk

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 16, 1966 captioned as above.

The picket scheduled by the captioned organization to be held at the Board of Education Building of Kettering, Ohio, 3490 Far Hills, Kettering, Ohio, was held as scheduled by members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan from the hours of approximately twelve o'clock noon to 1:00 PM on March 19, 1966. The pickets consisted of approximately 28 individuals, all but ten of which wore white robes. Four women were included in the pickets. An American flag was carried by one of the persons in the picket and several others carried confederate flags. Some other persons on the picket line were carrying placards some of which read as follows: "Stamp out socialism in schools," "Do you want your school integrated," "Yesterday, today, tomorrow, forever KKK," and "Help save America - join KKK".

The picketing was peaceful and no incidents occurred. They walked up and down in front of the building on the sidewalk and were orderly. The leader of the pickets appeared to be [redacted] a self admitted recruiter for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Ohio.

[redacted] carried a two-way transistorized radio and apparently had individuals stationed in the vicinity giving him reports on activity as observed by them from vantage points. The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan also had individuals at the picket taking photographs of the picket taking place and of police officers and others in the immediate vicinity.

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RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A source at the Kettering Police Department advised that while the picketing was going on, two unidentified individuals were in a restaurant in the general vicinity of the Board of Education Building with a two-way radio and a crystal radio set monitoring the Kettering Police Department calls. This source could not state definitely that these individuals were connected with the picket.

MEMORANDUM OF SUBJECT INFORMATION

On March 21, 1966, a confidential source of the Cleveland FBI Office furnished the following information to a representative of the Cleveland FBI Office: It was learned that [redacted] along with one [redacted] all from the Cleveland, Ohio area traveled to Dayton, Ohio March 19, 1966 to participate in above described Klan picketing demonstration. In addition one [redacted] and three other unidentified individuals, all known Klan members, also traveled to Dayton and participated in the same picketing.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKKK)
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

The following information was furnished by
 [redacted] Security Source and PPSI; and [redacted]
 [redacted] Portage County, Ravenna, Ohio, on 3/21/66:

The NKKKK will hold a rally on 4/2/66, at Edinburg, Ohio, which is located in Portage County. The rally is being [redacted], who is the Klan Organizer for Northeastern Ohio. According to the information received, the rally is open to "all white Christians". [redacted] evidently has announced he expects a "pretty fair turn-out." He anticipates people attending from Cleveland, Akron, and Youngstown, Ohio.

According to above sources, [redacted] has purchased a five acre plot of land located on Gidding Road in Edinburg and plans to hold monthly Klan Rallies during the Summer of 1966.

Cleveland arranging coverage of rally, and Bureau will be kept advised.

3 - Bureau (RM)
4 - Cleveland

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REC'D - FBI CLEVELAND

Approved:

54 APR 7 1966 Special Agent in Charge

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213 PM EST URGENT 3/25/66 MJV

TO DIRECTOR (157-168), ATLANTA (157-60) AND CLEVELAND
FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) 1P

NKKKK, RM - KLAN.

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8447

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Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Wick _____
Mr. Gandy _____
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Mr. Rosenblatt _____
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Mr. Sullivan _____
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Mr. L. James _____
Miss Gandy _____

REMYAIRTEL TO BUREAU, MARCH TWENTY-TWO, LAST.

TODAY, [REDACTED] (PROB.) ADVISED THERE IS FIFTY-FIFTY CHANCE ANOTHER KLAN PICKET WILL BE HELD KETTERING SCHOOL BOARD, KETTERING, OHIO, MARCH TWENTY-SIX, NEXT, SIMILAR TO PICKET HELD MARCH NINETEEN, LAST.

FEWER NUMBER PARTICIPANTS EXPECTED AND IF HELD, PICKET WILL NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL THREE PM OR LATER. KLANSMEN FROM CLEVELAND EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE. LOCAL INTELLIGENCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES ALERTED. CINCINNATI AFFORDING ADEQUATE COVERAGE. LHM SUBMITTED TODAY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAR 27 1966

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FBI WASH DC

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312 PM EST URGENT 3-27-66 DMG

TO DIRECTOR (157168)

FROM CINCINNATI (157-245)

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP4/HJL

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KU KLUX KLAN. RM.

RECITEL MARCH TWENTY-SIX LAST INDICATING POSSIBLE NKKKK
PICKETING KETTERING, OHIO MARCH TWENTY-SIX LAST. ABOUT EIGHTEEN
NKKKK PICKETS APPEARED IN FRONT OF KETTERING BOARD OF EDUCATION
BUILDING FOR ABOUT AN HOUR, SEVEN TO EIGHT P. M., MARCH TWENTY-SIX
SIXTY-SIX. SOME WORE WHITE ROBES, SOME CARRIED PLACARDS, AND SOME
CARRIED FLAGS. PICKETING IN PROTEST OF SCHOOL BOARD POLICY REFUSING
KKK SPEAKER. PICKETING PEACEFUL NO INCIDENTS.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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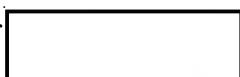
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Date: 3/21/66

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Via AIRTELAIRMAILALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
(Priority) DATE 8-23-88 BY SPOTY/PS

To: Director, FBI

ATTENTION:

From: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) GENERAL INVEST. DIV. CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.

Subject: NKKKK

RM - KLAN

(OO: ATLANTA)

 CR EL VRA-65 CRA-64 PA PE PF BM BM-Threats Racial Matters Klan Organization

Summary of Complaint:

Anonymous information received concerning confrontation of AL SCHOETTELKOTTE, local Cincinnati TV newscaster by three Klansmen because of SCHOETTELKOTTE's attitude toward Klan.

On 3/16/66, SA [redacted] furnished details of this matter to [redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio PD.

One copy each LHM disseminated to 109th INTC Group and U.S. Secret Service locally.

0-17 re characterization omitted 3-23-66 *JKH* AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI, SEC SER, 1cc detached by Klan Unit
DEPT ISD: CRD

DATE FORW: 3-24-66

HOW FORW: *RS*BY: *JKH*

ACTION: UACB:

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1 - Bureau No further action being taken and
(Enc. -8) **ENCL** LHM enclosed Copy furnished to USA **157-168-577**

1 - Atlanta LHM being submitted
(Enc. -1) Report being submitted
(Info) Preliminary investigation instituted
2 - Cincinnati Limited investigation instituted

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(1-157-245)
AP-66-2958

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Approved: Special Agent in Charge Sent _____ M Per _____ INT. SEC.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 21, 1966

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8ag/for

On March 14, 1966, a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following to a representative of the Cincinnati FBI Office:

Recent information has been developed that a Klavern has been established in the Dayton, Ohio, area. The number of the Klavern is currently unknown, as are the financial aspects. [redacted] for this Klan in Ohio. is the driving force behind this Klavern. [redacted]
[redacted] Dayton, Ohio. has been appointed [redacted]

There are approximately 15 individuals residing in and around the Dayton, Ohio, area who have been known to attend at least two meetings in the past. These two meetings have been held at the residence of [redacted] Dayton, Ohio.

This Klavern is currently in the early stages of being organized, and no definite place for holding meetings has been set up, as yet.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/SEC

Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

To: Director, FBI (157-168) ATTENTION:
 CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
 From: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) GENERAL INVEST. DIV.
 (P) DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.
 Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
 (OO: Atlanta)

Re Cincinnati airtel, 3/16/66, and Bureau routing slip,
 3/18/66, instructing LHM be submitted concerning captioned matter.

CR EL VRA-65 CRA-64

PA PE PF
 BM BM-Threats Racial Matters
 Klan Organization

Summary of Complaint: Information developed from
 confidential source that Klavern recently established in
 the Dayton, Ohio, area.

On 3/14/66, [redacted] Prob.) furnished information
 to SA [redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of LHM.
 One copy of LHM disseminated locally to 109th INTC Group,
 Cincinnati; one copy to U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati,
 Ohio, and one copy to USA, Cincinnati.

① - Bureau (Enc. 8 ENCL RM)

1 - Atlanta (Enc. 1) (Info) (157-60) (RM)

1cc detached by Cleveland (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)

Klan Unit 2 - Cincinnati (1 - 157-245) [redacted] EMS:mjf (5)

ACTION: UACB:

0-17 re placement omitted 3-23-66 No further action being taken and
 LHM enclosed Copy furnished to USA
 LHM being submitted

AGENCY: ACSI, ONI, OSI SEC SEC Report being submitted 104 157-168-578

DEPT/ISD: CRD Preliminary investigation instituted

ATE FORW 3-24-66 Limited investigation instituted

3 MAR 23 1966

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by:

Approved: [initials]

Special Agent in Charge

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One Information copy each to Atlanta and
Cleveland in view of their interest in captioned Klan
organization.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Cincinnati, Ohio

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

March 21, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chief
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
 - (b) Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
 - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph has been furnished enclosed is not available
 may be available through _____

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service (1)

Enclosure(s)

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 21, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP/utj/jch

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
KLUX KLAN, INCORPORATED

On March 16, 1966, anonymous information was received by representative of the Cincinnati, Ohio office of the FBI, which information has not been established reliable or unreliable, as follows:

Three individuals (later described below) who are either members of the Klan or are strongly sympathetic to the Klan were overheard discussing taking the following action:

Al Schoettelkotte, local Cincinnati television personality and leading newscaster, WCPO, Channel 9, has been a "thorn in the side" of the Klan and at every chance gives out bad publicity to turn the public opinion against the Klan.

The three men involved are considering following Mr. Schoettelkotte on his way home after his late night news-case and establishing his pattern of movement. At the right time they will confront him and "work him over" for his actions against the Klan.

These men are usually under the influence of alcohol when they get together and continually have some type of gripe against some person or organization.

[redacted] Cincinnati, Ohio Police Department was immediately furnished complete details of above. He requested that the Cincinnati FBI Office contact Mr. Schoettelkotte and apprise him of this situation and request that Mr. Schoettelkotte contact [redacted] if agreeable with Cincinnati Police Department affording him appropriate coverage. [redacted] pointed out that many individuals do not desire police coverage under circumstances such as these, and this was the reason for this request.

This same date, Al Schoettelkotte was appropriately apprised of full details concerning this matter. He expressed gratitude and appreciation to the Cincinnati office and stated he would immediately comply with [redacted]

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request to afford him coverage and would be agreeable to being afforded appropriate coverage by the Cincinnati Police Department.

The identity of the three individuals involved are:

1 [redacted] residence Mason, Ohio - [redacted]
is known to the Cincinnati FBI Office and local sources have identified him as being a member of above Klan group. Sources describe him as being quite a heavy drinker, a braggart and has been in trouble with law enforcement authorities in the past.

[redacted] Forest
Park, Ohio - Cincinnati sources have identified [redacted] as being a Klan member who drinks heavily on occasion and strongly dislikes Negroes.

3 [redacted], Cincinnati, Ohio - Cincinnati sources have also identified [redacted] as being either a Klan member or strongly sympathetic to the Klan, being in the same category with Dillingham and Smith.

Mr. Schoettelkotte strongly indicated that he was aware of the identity and background of the above three men.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONCincinnati, Ohio
March 21, 1966In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
 KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Airtel of SA [redacted]
 dated and captioned as above.b6
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1 - Indianapolis (Info) (RM)
1 - Louisville (Info) (RM)
5 - Cincinnati (4 - 157-245)
 (1 - 157-786) (KKKK)

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Information copies of this report being furnished to Cleveland, Indianapolis and Louisville in view of their interest in this matter.

This is a 90 day report.

INFORMANTS:

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Location of Information</u>
[redacted] Prob.)	157-245-990 157-245-994 [redacted] and instant report.
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 Date:

SA [redacted]
 3/25/66

Office: CINCINNATI

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #: 157-168

Title:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character:

RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/tjt/jal

Synopsis:

[redacted] Oregonia, Ohio, continues to be driving force of this Klan in Dayton-Cincinnati, Ohio. areas. [redacted] described as [redacted]

[redacted] and claims affiliation with Imperial Wizard (NKKKK) JAMES VENABLE, Tucker, Georgia. One klavern reported established Dayton, Ohio, recently and in early stages of organization.

[redacted] both Dayton, Ohio, are reported [redacted] of this klavern. Klavern consists of approximately 15 members. Financial condition and aspects currently unavailable. Planned picket held 3/19/66, Dayton, Ohio, led by [redacted] No incidents ensued, approximately 28 individuals participated.

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DETAILS:

A characterization of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., and National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc., is contained in Appendix of this report.

I. ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE

A. Headquarters - Klaverns - Finances

On March 14, 1966 [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Recent information has been developed that a klavern has been established in the Dayton, Ohio, area. The number of the klavern is currently unknown as are the financial aspects. [redacted] for this Klan in Ohio, is the driving force behind this klavern. [redacted]

[redacted] Dayton, Ohio, has been appointed [redacted]
[redacted] is the number two man. There are approximately 15 individuals residing in and around the Dayton, Ohio, area who have been known to attend at least two meetings in the past. These two meetings have been held at the residence of [redacted] Dayton, Ohio. [redacted]
residence a [redacted] is currently considered to be headquarters for this klavern. [redacted] claims affiliation with JAMES S VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, Tucker, Georgia.

This klavern is currently in the early stages of being organized and no definite place for holding meetings has been set up as yet.

B. General Activities

On January 10, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] held a small informal meeting on his farm at Oregonia, Ohio, January 9, 1966, for the purpose of trying to raise funds to continue Klan activities. Approximately \$100 was received for the alleged benefit of this Klan group. [redacted] can be expected to continue to hold small group meetings on his farm from time to time.

On February 23, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

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MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On February 18, 1966, [redacted] Klansman from Walton, Kentucky [redacted] South Lebanon, Ohio, and [redacted] got together on [redacted] farm to discuss necessary details concerning this Klan and possible security measures to be followed in the future if Klan rallies or meetings are held.

[redacted] still maintains his apartment on [redacted] in Dayton, Ohio, and holds occasional meetings here. He is becoming very security conscious and trusts very few people.

[redacted] recently on Sunday, February 20, 1966, decided to hold a meeting at his apartment for some of the old timers. When they showed up, each was handed a piece of paper instructing them to travel to the Imperial Motel, just North of Dayton. All travelled together so that no one could stop to make a contact with anyone.

This same group then met at the Imperial Motel and at the start each person there was searched for tape recorders, guns, etc.

There were approximately 15-20 persons at this meeting, most identities unknown. [redacted] is definitely trying to set up an organized klavern in the Dayton, Ohio, area, however, it is not operating on a regular basis nor organized as yet. It is extremely difficult to maintain interest among Klan members and make them attend meetings.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[redacted] both of Dayton, [redacted] area, are considered leading Klan members in Dayton at this time. This situation can change quickly and unexpectedly.

On March 7, 1966, [redacted] furnished the following information:

At least one organization type meeting has been held, believed during February, 1966, at the Imperial House Motel, Route 25, North of Dayton, Ohio, by captioned Klan. Approximately 15 to 25 individuals attended this meeting which included the presence of [redacted]

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On March 18, 1966, [redacted] advised that captioned Klan has definitely scheduled picket activity in the vicinity of the Kettering School Board, Dayton (Kettering), Ohio, on March 19, 1966.

On March 19, 1966, Chief of Police JOHN R. SHRYROCK, Kettering, Ohio, Police Department, furnished the following information to SA [redacted]

The picket scheduled by the captioned Klan to be held at the Board of Education Building of Kettering, Ohio, 3490 Far Hills, Kettering, Ohio, was held as scheduled by members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan from the hours of approximately twelve o'clock noon to 1:00 PM on March 19, 1966. The pickets consisted of approximately 28 individuals, all but ten of which wore white robes. Four women were included in the pickets. An American flag was carried by one of the persons in the picket and several others carried confederate flags. Some other persons on the picket line were carrying placards some of which read as follows: "Stamp out socialism in schools", Do you want your school integrated", "Yesterday, today, tomorrow, forever KKK", and "Help save America - join KKK".

The picketing was peaceful and no incidents occurred. They walked up and down in front of the building on the sidewalk and were orderly. The leader of the pickets appeared to be [redacted] a self-admitted recruiter for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Ohio.

[redacted] carried a two-way transistorized radio and apparently had individuals stationed in the vicinity giving him reports on activity as observed by them from vantage points. The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan also had individuals at the picket taking photographs of the picket taking place and of police officers and others in the immediate vicinity.

C. Miscellaneous Information

On March 23, 1966, [redacted] advised that JAMES VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, (NKKKK) is not happy with [redacted] for his part in organizing the picket activity March 19, 1966, at

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Kettering, Ohio. Therefore, it must be assumed that [redacted] acted on his own initiative in connection with the picket activity and did not have the backing of VENABLE.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 25, 1966

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
INC.
Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN
Reference: Report of SA [redacted]
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTER (ORGANIZATION)

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DATE 8-27-88 BY [Signature]

Re Cincinnati tel, 3/11/66, and 3/12/66.

Enclosed herewith are five copies of a LHM for the Bureau, setting forth information regarding the above captioned organization and a proposed picket scheduled for Saturday on 3/12/66, at Kettering Board of Education, Kettering, Ohio.

Also enclosed is one copy of the LHM for Cleveland and one copy for Atlanta, for their information.

A copy of the LHM is also being disseminated locally to the 109th INTC Group, the Assistant U. S. Attorney in Dayton, Ohio, and the Secret Service in Cincinnati, for their information.

The source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted]
(Probationary).

The source at the Kettering PD is COP [redacted]

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On 3/12/66, [redacted] (Prob) furnished information to SA [redacted]

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Will follow activity with logical sources and keep Bureau appropriately advised.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio 45201
March 16, 1966

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8/23/88 BY SP/JS/jad

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, PROPOSED
DEMONSTRATION FOR MARCH 12,
1966, AT KETTERING OHIO.
BOARD OF EDUCATION.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that the above captioned organization was attempting to organize a picket to be held at the Kettering Ohio Board of Education Building, which is located at 3490 Far Hills Avenue, Kettering, Ohio, on the morning of Saturday, March 12, 1966. The organizing was to be conducted by [redacted] a self-admitted Ohio KKK recruiter and he expected participants from various cities in the state of Ohio.

The purpose of the picket was to exhibit a disagreement with the school board actions in the past which allowed "left wing" speakers, but disallowed "right wing" speakers to be heard by any student in a high school in Kettering.

A source on the Kettering Ohio Police Department advised on March 12, 1966, that by way of a discreet surveillance in the vicinity of the Kettering Board of Education Building it was determined that no picketing took place as scheduled on the morning of March 12 1966. This source stated that the automobile registered to [redacted], mentioned above, was observed in the parking area of the board of education building, but no actual picketing or any other actions on his part took place.

On March 12, 1966, a confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised a representative of the Cincinnati FBI Office that the scheduled picketing by above Klan group at Dayton, Ohio, this date,

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was abruptly cancelled because of inclement weather. This source said approximately 15 Klansmen were on hand at Dayton, Ohio, several being from the Cleveland, Ohio area. Positive identity unknown at present time.

This source added that as plans now stand, the picketing has been re-scheduled to take place March 19, 1966, at Dayton, Ohio.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261)
 RE: [REDACTED]

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)
 RACIAL MATTERS - (KLAN)

(Man)
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Re Cleveland airtel, 3-21-66.

The following information furnished by [REDACTED]
 Portage County, Ravenna, Ohio, on 3-29-66:
 The purchase of the 5 acre tract of land in Edinburgh,
 Ohio, by [REDACTED] for Northeastern,
 Ohio, did not materialize. When owner of land found out
 what the property was to be used for, he refunded [REDACTED]
 money to him and cancelled the contract on the basis
 [REDACTED] misrepresented himself at the time original negotiation
 took place.

The following information furnished by [REDACTED]
 Security Source of this office, 3-29-66:

During the recent international protest against
 the war in Viet Nam, [REDACTED] of Youngstown, Ohio, and
 [REDACTED] of Cleveland, Ohio, were both in Cleveland
 on date of protest attempting to recruit persons from the
 picket line to come to Edinburgh, Ohio, evening of 4-2-66
 to picket at Klan rally scheduled for that date. According

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to the information [redacted] were passing out to the pickets they told them to come to the intersections of Routes 18 and 14 in Edinburgh.

The tract of land [redacted] was interested in is not located at Routes 18 and 14, but is at the intersection of Giddings Road and Route 183. According to [redacted] there is no location at intersections of Routes 18 and 14 to hold a rally.

[redacted] also advised he had caused extensive inquiries in the pertinent area, and nobody has offered their land for any Klan rally. [redacted] stated it appears to him the rally has been cancelled.

This matter will be followed closely and Bureau will be advised immediately of all developments.

Cleveland will submit LHM to Bureau 4-3-66, incorporating all information.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 3/24/66

FROM : *W.B.* SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: *W.B.*
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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Re Bureau 0-17 to Cincinnati, 3/22/66;
Cincinnati airtels to Director, 3/18 and 3/21/66,
with enclosed LHM's.

Cincinnati airtel to 3/18/66^{en 570}, sets out facts
of scheduled picketing by National Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan (NKKKK) at Dayton, Ohio.

Cincinnati airtel of 3/21/66^{en 578}, sets out facts
concerning recent establishment of klavern at Dayton, Ohio,
(NKKKK).

NKKKK characterization and informant evaluation
memo (FD 323) inadvertently omitted on referenced LHM's.

Enclosed for Bureau are 16 copies of characterization
of NKKKK and 16 copies of informant evaluation memo (FD 323).

Enclosed for Atlanta are 2 copies of same characteri-
zation and 2 copies of same FD 323. Cincinnati copies cor-
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Mr. Mohr
Mr. Wick
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

TODAY, [REDACTED] (PROBATIONARY), ADVISED RECEIVED
UNCONFIRMED RUMOR THAT [REDACTED] BOTH KLAN MEMBERS AKRON,
OHIO, PLAN CROSS BURNING VICINITY RAVENNA, OHIO, APRIL TWO, NEXT.
SPECIFIC TIME AND LOCATION UNKNOWN. NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE AND
POSSIBLE THAT THIS IS RUMOR ONLY.

CLEVELAND, AT CLEVELAND AND AKRON, OHIO, ATTEMPT TO VERIFY WITH
SOURCES.

ATLANTA ALSO ATTEMPT TO VERIFY.

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TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, aka.		REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted]	TYPED BY /blw
		CHARACTER OF CASE RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)	

REFERENCE:

Report of SA [redacted] dated 11/24/65
at Indianapolis.

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1 - G-2, 5th Army, Chicago (RM)
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 1 - U. S. Secret Service, Indianapolis (RM)

Report of: SA [redacted] **Office:** Indianapolis
Date: 3/29/66

Field Office File #: Indianapolis 157-175 **Bureau File #:** 157-168

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP844/jdc

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis: Court order against Dillsboro Rally 11/6/65 dismissed 12/2/65. No National Knights of Ku Klux Klan organized in Indiana. Proposed court action set out.

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DETAILS:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

A characterization of the NKKKK is set forth in the appendix of this report.

STATE COURT ACTION AGAINST NKKKK

"The Dearborn Register," Lawrenceburg, Indiana, a weekly newspaper, carried a story in its December 2, 1965, issue that Judge LESTER G. BAKER, Dearborn Circuit Court, had dismissed

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an action against the Ku Klux Klan upon the request of [redacted]
[redacted]

The newspaper account reveals the Klan was supposed to appear at the Circuit Court on December 2, 1965, for a hearing resulting from the filing of a restraining order and injunction against its scheduled November 6th rally and cross burning near Dillsboro.

The Prosecutor, in asking for dismissal of the restraining order and injunction, stated it was filed during an emergency and as the emergency no longer existed, he requested it be dismissed.

INDIANA STATE ORGANIZATION

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised on January 9, 1966, that the NKKKK has no state organization in Indiana at the present time.

[redacted] stated that individuals from Indiana who joined the NKKKK are associated with the Oregonia, Ohio group for the present time.

[redacted] advised that there would be no further activity in attempting to organize an Indiana unit until the Congressional Investigating Committee had completed its investigation of the various Klan groups.

[redacted] advised on February 16, 1966 and March 21, 1966, that no action has been taken to date to organize the Indiana group as an Indiana Unit.

MEMBERSHIP

[redacted] advised on January 29, 1966, that there are only two members in Indiana and that there are six applications awaiting action.

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[redacted] advised on January 29, 1966, that NKKKK was attempting to obtain an attorney to test the 1947 Indiana Hate Statute and if favorable decision is reached, the NKKKK will start an Indiana group.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Indianapolis, Indiana
March 29, 1966

Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN

Character RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Reference Indianapolis report of
 SA [redacted]
 dated and captioned as above.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-456)

DATE: 3/29/66

FROM : SAC, PITTSBURGH (157-457) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN,
NEW CASTLE, PA.
RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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Re Pittsburgh airtels to Bureau dated 2/17/66 and
1/24/66, copy to Cleveland and Atlanta, no copy to Cincinnati
or Los Angeles.

Enclosed herewith are the following items for the
designated offices:

Cincinnati: One (1) envelope, postmarked 1/10/66,
at Dayton, Ohio, addressed to [redacted] New Castle,
Pa., and bearing return address of Evang. [redacted]
Dayton, Ohio. Three autostats and one letter; three autostats
are handbills which were enclosed within the envelope and
bear the signature of [redacted] (5)

Los Angeles: Two letters addressed to [redacted]
from [redacted] National KKK Bloomington, Calif.,
dated 9/18/65 and 9/26/65. One letter addressed
to [redacted] National KKK,
Bloomington, Calif. One letter dated 9/29/65 to Mr.
[redacted] Lake Elsinore, Calif. (4)

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For the information of the Cincinnati and Los Angeles
Divisions, on 1/19/66, the following advertisement appeared
in the "Personals" column of the "New Castle News," New
Castle, Pa.:

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- 1 - Atlanta (Info)
- 2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 5) (RM)
- 1 - Cleveland (Info)
- 2 - Los Angeles (Enc. 4) (RM)
- 1 - Pittsburgh

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"Join the National Ku Klux Klan, P. O.
Box 653, New Castle, Pa., 16103, Thomas J.
Mitchell, 337 E. Washington St."

Inquiry at [redacted] "New Castle News," on January 19, 1966, determined that [redacted] above address, arranged for the above advertisement with the "New Castle News" and same was prepared for a period of three days. A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on January 19, 1966, that [redacted] subscribed to [redacted] at the United States Post Office, New Castle.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New Castle, New Castle, Pa., reflect that [redacted] has a poor credit rating. He has no previous record at the New Castle, Police Department

On January 20, 1966, [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] New Castle, voluntarily appeared at the Federal Bureau of Investigation Office at New Castle, stating that they desired to discuss the advertisement which [redacted] admitted having placed in the above newspaper. [redacted] said that although he had prepaid the advertisement, he had notified the newspaper office to discontinue same after it appeared in the newspaper on January 19, 1966. Both [redacted] [redacted] appeared emotionally upset during the interview and at times, [redacted] broke down and wept. He stated that he realized that he was suffering from mental depression and shortcomings, and he displayed razor-slash scars on both wrists, which he said were the result of suicide attempts while serving in the U. S. Air Force from October 19, 1961, to August 1964. [redacted] stated that he is presently receiving \$24 per month compensation from the United States Government, which represents 100% disability following his honorable discharge from the U. S. Air Force for psychiatric reasons.

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[redacted] admitted that he has been a subscriber to "The Thunderbolt," and that he had directed letters to that publication in the past, setting forth his opinions regarding racial matters and problems.

"The Thunderbolt" is described in the characterization of the National States Rights Party on page 5.

[redacted] volunteered that he became "disillusioned" over alleged "white supremacy" while serving with the U. S. Air Force in Germany and had since become interested in the Ku Klux Klan and other "hate organizations"; however, he stated that he has since realized the fallacies of the policies of these organizations and is going to disassociate himself immediately from them altogether. [redacted] stated that she had never agreed with [redacted] former beliefs in this regard and felt that he was on the verge of another mental breakdown.

[redacted] stated that they planned to depart from New Castle, where both were reared, during February, 1966, for Youngstown, Ohio, where they will reside and seek employment. [redacted] stated that he planned to discontinue any contact with "hate organizations" in the future.

[redacted] concluded that he knew of no other Klan sympathizers in the New Castle area and that he had never held or attended any Klan meetings.

[redacted] is described as follows:

Name
Residence

Birth data
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Race
Sex

White
Male

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On 3/18/66

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[redacted] (protect identity because
of position) advised SA [redacted] that [redacted]
left a forwarding address on that date at [redacted]
Youngstown, Ohio, having moved from [redacted] Stenthers,
Ohio.

Inasmuch as [redacted] is presently residing within
the territory of the Cleveland Division, no additional inquiry
will be made by this office.

Information copy being furnished to Cleveland in
view of [redacted] residence within that Division and to
Atlanta since it is the office of origin in the case regarding
the National KKK.

[redacted] HAS ADMITTED ATTEMPTING SUICIDE IN THE
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Date: 3/25/66

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM *W.M.* : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
RM - KLAN
(OO: Atlanta)

ALL INFORMATION
HEREIN IS UNCLAS
DATE 8-23-58

Not for

Re Cincinnati teletype to Bureau, 3/25/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of LHM suitable for dissemination, setting out information received from confidential source advising fifty-fifty chance Klan picket will take place vicinity Kettering, Ohio, School Board, 3/26/66.

One copy of LHM enclosed for Atlanta and Cleveland.

One copy of LHM disseminated locally to 109th INTC Group and one copy to U. S. Secret Service, Cincinnati. Also, one copy furnished USA, Dayton, Ohio.

[REDACTED] (Prob.) furnished information on
3/25/66 to SA [REDACTED] EX-114
SA [REDACTED] on 3/25/66, REC 17, 157-168-585 advised and alerted [REDACTED] Kettering, Ohio, PD, of this matter.

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 1 - Atlanta (Enc. 1) (157-60) (RM) DEPT ISD: CRD
 1 - Cleveland (Enc. 1) (RM) DATE FORW: 3-30-66
 2 - Cincinnati (Enc. 1) (157-245) HOW FORW: KS

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Klan Unit

INT. SEC. 1

EMS:mjf (7)

Approved:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 25, 1966

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DATE 8-23-88 BY SP8/ATJ/jch

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

On March 25, 1966, a confidential source of the Cincinnati FBI Office, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information to a representative of the Cincinnati FBI Office:

There is a fifty-fifty chance that another Klan picketing demonstration will be held in the vicinity of the Kettering School Board, Kettering, Ohio, March 26, 1966. This picket is expected to be similar to the picket held last week at the same location on March 19, 1966. A fewer number of participants are also expected, and if held, the picket will not take place until approximately 3:00 p.m. or later. Some Klansmen from the Cleveland, Ohio, area are expected to participate.

On March 25, 1966, John R. Shryock, Chief of Police, Kettering, Ohio, Police Department, was advised and alerted of the above details.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached hereto.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-245

Cincinnati, Ohio
March 25, 1966

Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN

Character RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Reference Letterhead memorandum, dated
 and captioned as above

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Date: 3/31/66

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-10261) (P)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
 RACIAL MATTER - KLAN
 OO: Atlanta

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 DATE 8-23-88 BY SP/

[redacted] on 3/30/66 informed that on 3/27/66 [redacted] of Cleveland Klavern #6, advised that a NKKKK Grand Dragon for Ohio had recently been appointed by Imperial Wizard JAMES R. VENABLE, although he did not reveal the identity of the new Grand Dragon. He also noted that he [redacted] had been appointed a [redacted] for the Ohio Counties of Cuyahoga, Lake, Geauga, Medina, and perhaps one other county, and that his appointment could be verified through VENABLE.

[redacted] stated that in the future Klaverns would be reorganized into separate units of ten Klansmen and not more than 50 Klansmen to a Klavern. The Klavern's Exalted Cyclops would be the only individual knowing all Klavern members, and there would be no communication between Klavern units within a Klavern to insure maximum security.

[redacted] noted that Catholics would be admitted to NKKKK membership, but they would be together in their own unit.

EX-114

3 - Bureau (RM)
 3 - Atlanta (RM) (157-60)
 (1 - JAMES R. VENABLE)
 3 - Cincinnati (RM) (157-168)
 (1 [redacted])
 1 - Cleveland [redacted]

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ICE Klan UnitAPPEAL #
CIVIL ACT. #
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DATE 8-23-88 INITIALS [redacted]

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[redacted] also noted that in the future Klan officers would be appointed rather than elected, subject to investigation and final confirmation by a Klokann Kommittee.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] of Oregonia, Ohio, would remain the Kleagle for Ohio, but in the future would not be running the Klan in Ohio as he has been doing and would have nothing to do with making Klan appointments. He noted that [redacted] has done a good job in recruiting Klan members.

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The Atlanta Office is requested to be alert to any information concerning the appointment and identity of a Grand Dragon for Ohio, as well as [redacted]ointment as Great Titan.

The Cincinnati Office is requested to be alert to any information concerning the above, as well as information pertaining to Klan organizational procedures in Ohio as reviewed by [redacted]

The Atlanta and Cincinnati Offices will be furnished a verbatim copy of informant's report in the near future.